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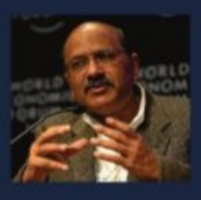

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Gunjan Krishna, IAS
Commissioner for Industrial Development &
Director of Industries & Commerce

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For event details

Possession Notice (For Immovable Property) Rule 8-(1)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of IIFL Home Finance Limited (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.) (IIFL-H FL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, a Demand Notice was issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower/Co-Borrowers mentioned herein below to repay the amount notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Rules. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **IIFL HFL** for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon. The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, If the borrower clears the dues of the **"IIFL HFL"** together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred, at any time before the date fixed for sale or transfer, the secured assets shall not be sold or transferred by **"IIFL HFL"** and no further step shall be taken by **"IIFL HFL"** for transfer or sale of the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)	Description of the Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Total Outstanding Dues (Rs.)	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession
Miss. Pervali Jayanthi Maia, Mr. Pervali Sathish Kumar, Mrs. P Uma, **Prospect No.IL10090892, IL10122418**	All that piece and parcel of Apartment No. 122, Floor No. 1, Block B, SSB Urban Lotus, Sy No.80/2, VP Khata Bearing No. 1502003006003208 13, Doddanagamangala Village, Begur Hobli, Rayasandra main road, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, India, 560099 Area Admeasuring (IN SQ. FT.):Property Type: Saleable Area, Carpet Area Property Area: 1309.00, 890.00 Bounded By:north: As Per The Title Documents And Technical Report South: As Per The Title Documents And Technical Reporteast: As Per The Title Documents And Technical Report West: As Per The Title Documents And Technical Report	**IL10090892** is ₹ 3497846.00/- (Rupees Thirty Four Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Eight Hundred & Forty Six Only)& **IL10122418** is **₹749587.00/-** (Rupees Seven Lakh Forty Nine Thousand Five Hundred & Eighty Seven Only)	22-10-2024	06-02-2025
Mrs. Savitha, Slv Provision Store, Mr. Munikrishna Rajappa, **Prospect No. IL10257770, IL10540410**	All that piece and parcel of Eastern portion of khatha no 288/227, Situated at Kadugodi plantation, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Karnataka, India, 560077. Area Admeasuring (IN SQ. FT.): Property Type: Land Area, Built Up Area, Carpet Area Property Area: 528.00, 414.00, 351.00 Bounded By: North: Property Belongs To Revathamma South: Road East: Property Belongs To Ramakka West: Remaining Portion Of Bbmp Khatha No 288/227	**IL10257770 is** ₹1820803.00/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakh Twenty Thousand Eight Hundred &Three Only) & **IL10540410 is** ₹ **686790.00/-** (Rupees Six Lakh Eighty Six Thousand Seven Hundred & Ninety Only)	18-11-2024	06-02-2025

For, further details please contact to Authorised Officer at **Branch Office :** "Adam Chambers," #11, Richmond Road, Bengaluru - 560025 **or Corporate Office :** IIFL Tower, Plot No. 98, Udyog Vihar, Ph-IV Gurgaon, Haryana.
Place : Bangalore | Date : 11-02-2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.**

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE, U.R. RAO SATELLITE CENTRE
CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP, HAL Airport Road, Bengaluru - 560 017
(Phone: 080 25084184, 4156)

BRIEF E-TENDER NOTICE

Sl.No	Description	Details
1	Name of work	Construction of Storage Building Adjacent to AITF-2 at ISITE Campus, URSC, Marathahalli, Bengaluru (Civil Works).
2	E-Tender Notice No.	URSC/C&MG/10C/2024-25, dated: 04.02.2025
3	Estimated cost put to tender	₹ 535.00 Lakhs
4	Tender Document details	**E-Tender**
5	Period of completion	EIGHTEEN MONTHS
6	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Rs. 10,70,000/- valid for 180 days
7	Period during which the tender document can be downloaded.	From 09.30 hrs on 10.02.2025 to 16.30 hrs on 24.02.2025
8	Bid clarification	From 10.30 hrs on 11.02.2025 to 17.00 hrs on 25.02.2025
9	Last date of reply to Bid Clarification	Up to 17.00 hrs on 26.02.2025
10	Last date and time for receipt of tenders	Up to 14.30 hrs on 27.02.2025
11	Due date and time of opening of tenders	14.30 hrs Onwards on 27.02.2025

Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting E-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details along with Hindi version in website: **www.isro.gov.in** and download the tender documents from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO**.

Sd/-, Group Director (C&MG)

MYSORE PAINTS & VARNISH LTD.,
(A Govt., of Karnataka Undertaking)
New Bannimantap Extension, MYSURU-570 015, Karnataka.
Phone: 0821-2493831/ 2497469/ 2499340,
website: www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in email: materials-mpvl@karnataka.gov.in
Date: 08.02.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tender are invited from reputed manufacturers / authorized dealers for supply of the following materials (Conversion charges) through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal(KPPP) **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)**. The details are as mentioned below: **Sl.No.:** 01. **Tender notification Number:** MPVL/2024-25/IND0014 **Tender Description:** Procurement of Silver Nitrate (e-Tender notification for supply of Silver Nitrate. 1 Item. Estimated value Rs.27.45 Crore). **Tender Category:** Supply of Goods. **Last Date & Time for submission of Tender / Bids:** 10.03.2025 **Date & Time of Technical Bid Opening:** 12.03.2025
Interested parties may visit **www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in** for details and can contact the undersigned for any further clarifications/ information and request to participate in the tender.

For Mysore Paints and Varnish Ltd.,
Sd/- Materials Manager/(TIA)

MUTHOOT FINCORP LTD. | GOLD AUCTION NOTICE

Regd. Office: Muthoot Centre, TC No 27/3022, Punnen Road, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India - 695001.
CIN : U65929KL1997PLC011518, Ph: +91 471 4911400, 2331427

Notice is hereby given for the information of all concerned that Gold ornaments pledged with under mentioned branches of the company for the period upto 31.03.2024 & MSGL, SPL-16, One plus, Guide Prepaid, Super value, ADGL and all other 6 months tenure Gold loans up to 30.06.2024 and MSGB, SME Suvarna & EMI due up to 31.12.2024 which were overdue for redemption and which have not been redeemed so far inspite of repeated notices, will be auctioned on 25.02.2025 from 10 am onwards.

CHANNAPATNA-RAMANAGARAM: 1744000419, 1744000421, 174400183, 174400198, 174400206, 174400209, 174400210, 174400236, 174400292, 174400315, 174400325, 174400352, 174400353, 174400354, 174400375, 174400428. **CHENNAPATTANA:** 075200835, 075200926, 075200941, 075200942, 075201039, 075201097, 075201170, 075201176, 075201220, 075201221, 075201222, 075201223, 075201227, 075201245, 075201290, 075201295, 075201312, 075201324, 075201352, 075201378, 075201397, 075201428, 075201430. **HAROHALLI:** 403600326, 403600361, 403600394, F2451, F2462, F2473, F2479, F2490, F2501, F2605, F2666, F2715, F2722, F2723, F2996, F3002, F3010, F3011, F3028, F3056, F3320. **KANAKAPURA:** 127600096, 1276001024, 1276001049, 1276001055, 1276001064, 1276001071, 1276001080, 1276001101, 1276001116, 1276001143, 1276001146, 1276001150, 1276001184, 1276001186, 1276001206, 1276001239, 1276001259, 1276001326, 1276001338, 1276001340, 1276001355, 127600192, 127600232, 127600233, 127600247, 127600264, 127600266, 127600267, 127600280, 127600291, 127600306, 127600307, 127600308, 127600316, 127600346, 127600385, 127600402, 127600410, 127600412, 127600423, 127600568, 127600572, 127600630, 127600681, 127600782, 127600793, 127600794, 127600818, 127600864, 127600878, 127600884, 127600885, 127600940, 127600941, 127600980, 127600996, 127601039, 127601044, 127601057, 127601066, 127601071, 127601080, 127601084, 127601093, 127601099, 127601144, 127601146, 127601148, 127601164, 127601172, 127601175, 127601183, 127601213, 127601225, 127601228, 127601256, 127601302, 127601304, 127601331, 127601347, 127601360, 127601377, F24072, F24142, F24143, F24502, F24503, F24642, F24712, F24760, F24788, F26106, F26107, F26108, F26111, F26135, F26136, F26143, F26144, F26145, F26146, F26150, F26151, F26152, F26153, F26160, F26165, F26166, F26167, F26168, F26169, F26175, F26176, F26177, F26178, F26237, F26239, F26240, F26368, F26638, F26639, F26665, F26687, F26842, F26843, F26844, F26858, F26859, F26865, F26976, F26980. **MAGADI:** 410800668, 410800724, 410800838, 410800845, 410801033, 410801063, 410801149, 410801184, 410801218, 410801300. **RAM NAGAR:** 0406000726, 0406000739, 0406000749, 0406000755, 0406000766, 0406000776, 0406000806, 0406000821, 0406000828, 0406000244, 0406000254, 0406000260, 0406000293, 0406000346, 0406000357, 0406000372, 0406000373, 0406000387, 0406000395, 0406000402, 0406000443, 0406000488, 0406000496, 0406000502, 0406000516, 0406000518, 0406000527, 0406000577, 0406000578, 0406000590, 0406000597, 0406000613, 0406000616, 0406000618, 0406000628, 0406000649, 0406000661. **RAMANAGARAM-VINAYAKA NAGAR:** 371000564, 371000609, 371001047, 371001099, 371001115, 371001121, 371001122, 371001126, 371001164, 371001179, 371001196, 371001204, 371001215, 371001218, 371001232, 371001240, 371001247, 371001270, 371001296, 371001304, 371001305, 371001310, 371001337, 371001350, 371001380, 371001407, 371001409, F15807, F15890. **SATHANUR:** 387300866, 387300867, 387301050, 387301055, 387301108, 387301173, 387301213, 387301227, 387301238, 387301250, 387301254, 387301280, 387301281, 387301282, 387301294, 387301298, 387301312, 387301340, 387301344, 387301349, 387301350, 387301358, 387301379, 387301386, 387301403, 387301404, 387301408, 387301429, 387301430, 387301445, 387301461.

Auction will be conducted at respective branches. Please note if the auction does not get completed on the same day due to any reasons, the same will be conducted on 10.03.2025 at 10.00 am at Muthoot FinCorp Ltd., First Floor, #1385, B.M.Road, Near K.S.R.T.C Bus Stand, Ramnagar, Karnataka - 562159.The bidders are requested to produce Photo Id card, Pan Card. The successful bidder should transfer the money through RTGS. **Muthoot FinCorp Ltd.**

Varthana Finance Private Limited

Registered Office at : No. 5BC-110, Varasiddhi. Outer Ring Road, Service Road, 3rd Block, HRBR Layout, Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore-560043. Website: www.varthana.com, Email: care@varthana.com, Phone: 080-68455777, Branch Office: Varasiddhi, 5BC-110, 3rd Floor, Service Road, 3rd Block, HRBR Layout, Bangalore- 560043.

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8(1)] (For Immovable property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **M/s. Varthana Finance Private Ltd. (Formerly Known as M/s. Thirumeni Finance Private Ltd.) Bangalore,** Under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated: **06-11-2024**, calling upon the Applicants/ Co-Applicants/ Mortgagors, in Loan Account No's. **102108000004 and 102202001107. 1. M/s. S K Public School,** Represented by Authorized Signatory, Bommasandra Post, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore - 560099., **2. M/s. Karibasaveshwara Education Society,** Represented by Authorized Signatory, T. Gollahalli, Electronic City Post, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore - 560100., **3. Mr. Ajjappa B., S/o. Bistappa,** #763, Balaji Layout Road, Near Ganesha Temple, Gollahalli, Electronic City, Bangalore - 560100., **4. Mrs. Patil Shantha, W/o. Ajjappa B**., #763, Balaji Layout Road (SIraj Layout), Gollahalli Road, Gollahalli to Sarjapura Road, Siraj Layout, Gollahalli, Bangalore - 560100., **5. Mr. B.C Mohan, S/o B.R Chennabasavantha,** No.1613, Balachandra Building, Betta Arasuru, Post veerasandra, Anekal Banglore-560100., To repay the amount mentioned in the said notice being a sum of **Rs. 80,69,248/- (Rupees Eighty Lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Two Hundred and Forty Eight Only) as on 06-11-2024,** to repay agreed contractual rate of interest together with incidental expenses, cost and other charges etc, as details mentioned in the Demand Notice, till the date of payment, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

However the Applicants/ Co-Applicants/ Mortgagors herein above having failed to repay the full amount with interest/other charges, notice is hereby given to the Applicants/ Co-Applicants/Mortgagors in particular and to the public in general that the undersigned being Authorized Officer of the M/s. Varthana Finance Private Ltd, Bangalore, Branch has taken **POSSESSION** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this day of **06-02-2025.**

The Applicants/ Co-Applicants/ Mortgagors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the **M/s. Varthana Finance Private Ltd, Bangalore, for an amount ofRs. 82,49,571/- (Rupees Eighty Two Lakh Forty Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy One Only)** as on **05-02-2025,** with agreed contractual rate of interest, as mentioned herein above until the date of payment together with incidental expenses, cost and other charges. The Applicants/Co-Applicants/Mortgagors attention is invited to provisions of Section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured Assets.

Be notified that the above subject Loan Account number has been assigned from Indian School Finance Company to Varthana Finance Private Limited vide assignment deed dated 29/02/2024. Further, Varthana Finance Private Limited has now stepped into the shoes of the Creditor and now has the rights to lawfully collect the credit dues from you. Further, all the rights, title and interests of Indian School Finance Company with respect to the financial assets pertaining to the above referred loan account numbers and along with underlying security interests, guarantees, pledges have vested in Varthana Finance Private Limited in respect of the financial assistance availed by the Borrower(s) and Varthana Finance Private Limited exercises all its rights as the secured creditor.

Description of the Immovable Property: Property No:1

Item No. 1: All that piece and parcel of the Immovable property bearing Site No. 4, Khata No. 849/3143/4, Situated at Lingaraju Extension, Near Pump House, Ward No. 8/3, Anekal Town, Bangalore District under the limit of Anekal TMC, measuring 30 X 40 feet in all 1200 Sq. Ft. and bounded on the : East By : Site No. 3, West By : Site No. 5, North By : Private property, South By : 20 Feet proposed Road

Item No. 2: All that piece and parcel of the Immovable property bearing Site No. 5, Khata No. 850/3144/5, Situated at Lingaraju Extension, Near Pump House, Ward No. 8/3, Anekal Town, Bangalore District under the limit of Anekal TMC, measuring 30 X 40 feet in all 1200 Sq. Ft. and bounded on the : East By : Site No. 4, West By : Site No. 6, North By : Private property, South By : 20 Feet proposed Road.

Property No:2: All the piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.509 & 510 , Katha No.22/1, present KhataNo.154/22/1, situated at Maragondanahalli Village Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, under the limit of Hulimangala Village Panchayat, measuring East to West : 40 feet, North to South : 60 feet, in all 2400 St.Ft., and bounded on the: East by : Road, West by : Property Nos. 484 and 485, North by : property No.50, and South by : Property No.511.

Property No:3: All that piece and parcel of land and Immovable property bearing Sy. No. 323/3, situated at Bettahalasuru Grama, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and bounded on; East : Property belonging to Abbaiappa., South : Property belongs to Rajanna, West : Property allotted to Chennabasappa, North : Property allotted to Girish,

Measuring 28 ¼ guntas.

SCHEDULE - 1:

(Description of the Movable property/ies [Secured Assets])

Details of the Hypothecated Assets :

Sl. No	Model of the Vehicle	Regd. No.	Vehicle Class	Chassis No.	Maker Name	Engine No.
1.	LPO7.5/42 ULTRA STD BS3	KA51C6174	School Bus	MAT752005E8F16381	Tata Motors Limited	497TC73FVY822349
2.	WT50 TC III LWB STD	KA51C1956	School Bus	MBUWEL 4XGX0197133	SLM Isuzub Ltd	SLTHT3GX190803
3.	ZT54ETCIIIDELWB STD BUS	KA51B8229	School Bus	MBUZT54XHY0188338	SLM Isuzub Ltd	SLT3HY181818
4.	S 7 BUS DELUXE BSIII	KA51C6712	School Bus	MBUZT54XKZ0178982	SLM Isuzub Ltd	SLT4JZ171843

Date : 11.02.2025, Place: Anekal Taluk **Authorised Officer, Varthana Finance Private Limited**

यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया / Union Bank of India
A Government of India Undertaking

ANNAPOORNESHWARI NAGAR BRANCH
No.2, Sri Kamala, 60 Feet Road,11th Cross, Annapoorneshwari Nagar, Bengaluru. Contact No: 9324721311, Mail ID: ubin0821314@unionbankofindia.bank

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 30 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised officer of Union Bank of India (secured Creditor) will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is basis" on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder.

1. Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: (a) Mr. H A Ramamurthy S/o Sri Anjinappa, House No.30, BBMP Old Khatha No.504, No.12/2-663, Present BBMP Khatha No.72, B Narayanapura Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru-560016. **(b) Mr. Byregowda** S/o Anjinappa, House No.30, BBMP Old Khatha No.504, No.12/2-663, Present BBMP Khatha No.72, B Narayanapura Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru-560016.

Amount due: Rs.73,05,684/- (Rupees Seventy Three Lakh Five Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Four Only) as on 05.02.2025 (incl interest till 31.01.2025) and future interest/cost/expenses thereon.

Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.30, BBMP Old Khatha No.504, No.12/2-663, Present BBMP Khatha No.72, situated at B Narayanapura Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru presently comes under the BBMP limits of Bengaluru measuring East to west 40 feet and North to South 30 feet and totally measuring 1200 Sq Ft, together with residential building thereon belonging to Mr. H.A Ramamurthy and bounded on: East: Site No.47 & 48, West: Road, North: Site bearing No.31, South: Site bearing No.29.

Reserve Price: Rs.76,70,000/-
(Rupees Seventy Six Lakh Seventy Thousand Only)
Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.7,67,000/-
(Rupees Seven Lakh Sixty Seven Thousand only)

Date and time of E-Auction: 11.03.2025, Tuesday from 12.00 PM to 05.00 P.M. (with 10 min unlimited auto extensions)
Last date for submission of EMD: On or before the commencement of e-auction
E-auction website: https://baanknet.com

For auction related queries e-mail to ubin0821314@unionbankofindia.bank or contact Branch Manager,Union Bank of India, Annapoorneshwari Nagar Branch, Ph. 9324721311 or Manager, Mr. Sourabh Sahoo on mobile phone No. 8447649353.

Date: 06.02.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Union Bank of India.**

MYSORE PAINTS & VARNISH LTD.,
(A Govt., of Karnataka Undertaking)
New Bannimantap Extension, MYSURU-570 015, Karnataka.
Phone: 0821-2493831/ 2497469/ 2499340,
website: www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in email: materials-mpvl@karnataka.gov.in
Date: 08.02.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited from reputed manufacturers / authorized dealers for supply of the following materials through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal(KPPP) **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)**. The details are as mentioned below:
Sl.No.01.**Tender notification Number:** MPVL/2024-25/IND0012 **Tender Description:** Supply of HDPE Bottles & Packing Materials required for production of Indelible Ink for the Year -2025-26. **Tender Category:** Supply of Goods. **Last Date & Time for submission of Tender / Bids:** 24.02.2025 **Date & Time of Technical Bid Opening:** 27.02.2025
Interested parties may visit **www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in** for details and can contact the undersigned for any further clarifications/ information and request to participate in the tender.

For Mysore Paints and Varnish Ltd.,
Sd/- Materials Manager/(TIA)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
LABORATORY FOR ELECTRO-OPTICS SYSTEMS (LEOS)
PEENYA, BANGALORE-560058. LEOS CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP (LCMG)
[Phone: (080)-22685088, 5193, 5093, 5086, Fax: (080)-28392310]

BRIEF NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER (NIET)

On behalf of the President of India, item rate e- tender are invited for the following works:

Name of the work: AC works for the Proposed Extension of Conference Hall at Admin Block of LEOS, Peenya, Bengaluru-560058. NIET No: LEOS/C&MG/Conference Hall Extension / AC /ETN-01A/2024-25/R1 Dtd: 03.02.2025; **Estimated cost put to tender in Rs. 14.21Lakhs; EMD Rs: 28,420/-; Period of Completion in months :** 05 Months; Tender document can be downloaded from : **Opening Date :** 06.02.2025; **Closing Date :** 25.02.2025

Name of the work: AC works for the Proposed vertical extension at second floor of existing retiring rooms-LEOS Campus, Peenya, Bengaluru. NIET No: LEOS/C&MG/ Retiring Rooms/AC/ETN-01A/2024-25 Dtd: 03.02.2025; **Estimated cost put to tender in Rs. 17.80Lakhs; EMD Rs: 35,600/-; Period of Completion in months :** 03 Months; Tender document can be downloaded from : **Opening Date :** 06.02.2025; **Closing Date :** 25.02.2025

Name of the work: Supply and erection of 6 passenger lift for the retiring rooms at LEOS Campus, Peenya, Bengaluru-560058. NIET No: LEOS/C&MG/Retiring Rooms Extension/Mech/ETN-01M/2024-25 Dtd: 03.02.2025; **Estimated cost put to tender in Rs. 15.83 Lakhs; EMD Rs: 31,660/-; Period of Completion in months :** 04 Months; Tender document can be downloaded from : **Opening Date :** 06.02.2025; **Closing Date :** 25.02.2025

Interested tenderers may please refer detailed Notice Inviting e-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details in website: www.isro.gov.in and download the tender documents from www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO

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SALE NOTICE FOR THE SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for the sale of immovable assets under SARFAESI Act, 2002, R/w rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers, Co borrowers and Guarantors that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd., will be sold on **27-02-2025** "AS IS WHERE IS" "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION" for recovery of below mentioned amount due to Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd., from the following borrowers.

Borrower/s & Guarantor/s Name & Address Total Due + Interest from	Description of the Immovable Property
1. MR.MOHAMMED ANEESARAFATH KHAN S/O. MR.MOHAMMED AMIAD ALI KHAN 2. MRS.TABASSUM. N W/O. MR. MOHAMMED ANEESARAFATH KHAN Both residing at - OLD NO. 17, NEW NO. 22, 18TH CROSSBYRAPPA LAYOUT,NEAR RASHIDIYA MASJID GOVINDAPURA, BANGALORE KARNATAKA 560045 **Loan Account No. EMFCNTBN0009015 Claim Amount Due -** Rs. 2759340/- as on 04-06-2021 with further interest from 05-06-2021 with monthly rest, charges and costs etc., (Total Outstanding being Rs. 4527200.55/- as on 10-02-2025).	All the piece and parcel of the immovable Property bearing Site No.45, Property No. 501/45, Katha No.436, Converted Sy.No.252/1, Vide Conversion order No. ALN SR.62/87-88, Dt:4/5/1988, Situated at Madapatna Village, Haragadde Dhakale, Haragadde Village Panchayathi, Jigan Hobli, Anekal Tq and Bangalore.And bounded on the: North by: Site No.46, South by: Road, East by: Site No.44, West by: Mr. C.Nagaraj Land, Measurement: East to West 40 Ft and North to South 30 Ft, Total extent 1200 Sqft, Situated at within the Sub-Registration District of Basavanagudi (Jigani) and Registration District of Bangalore. together with all buildings and Structure attached to the earth or permanently fastened to anything attached to earth, both present and future and all easasmentary/mamool rights annexed thereto, and the boundaries of the said land are as follows. **Reserve Price:** Rs. 25,50,000/- , **Earnest Money Deposit:** Rs. 2,55,000/- Contact Person - Rakesh M V- 9611500100, Lakshith T H- 9945381028

Date of Auction: 27-02-2025
For detailed terms and conditions of the E-Auction sale, please refer to the link provided in www.equitasbank.com & https://www.bankeauctions.com
Date - 11.02.2025, Place - Bangalore **Authorized officer, Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd**

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office : ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore-560068

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.
Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	J Kiran Kumar & Shantha L/ No 106/107 Basaweswara Nagar Thimmaiah Road 2nd Block Bangalore-560079/ 777705999779.	(As described in the Loan document/ property document covering All That Piece and Parcel The Property Bearing No. 106 and 107, Pid No.19-2-106/107, Municipal No. 106/107 Measuring East To West 7.77 Meter and North To South (9.06 + 9.14)/2 Meter And East To West (12.11 + 11.58)/2 Meter, North To South (6.63 + 6.85)/2 Meter, Situated At 2nd Block, 3rd Stage, Basaveshwara Nagara, West of Chord Road, Old Ward No. 19, Presently Comes Under Bbmp Ward No.100 And Bounded In Below (Admeasuring An Area of East To West 7.77 Meter and North To South (9.06 + 9.14)/2 Meter And East to West (12.11 + 11.58)/2 Meter, North To South (6.63 + 6.85)/2 Meter Bounded By : On The North By: Road On The South By: Property No. 106/A and 107/A On The East By: Road On The West By: Property No.108. Date of Symbolic Possession 07th February 2025.	August 21, 2024 Rs. 2,07,70,038.42/-	Bangalore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: February 11, 2025 Sincerely Authorised Signatory
Place: Bangalore For ICICI Bank Ltd.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client by name **SMT. RAJANIKANTHA,** Wife of V. Ashwatharamaiah R/at, No.178, 7th C Main Road, 3rd Block, 4th Stage, Basaveshwara Nagara, Bangalore- 560079 has lost original sale deed dated 02.12.1997 in respect of the schedule property which was registered in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Nelamangala in vide No.1612/97-98,, Vol. No.1884, at pages 76 to 85, Book No.1 registered on 04.03.1998 executed in her favor by M/s. Vijaya Developers. My client on in that regard has registered online complaint vide G.S.C No. 1463369/2025 dated 05/02/2025. If any one finds the same please return to my office/my client /to the nearest police station.. If the same is misused then they will be prosecuted under the law

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the Part and parcel of the Site No. 302 [Katha No. 584/302] measuring to an extent of East to West: 45÷44.6/2 feet and North to South: 78+58/2 feet totally measuring 3043 Sq.ft. situated at Widia Nagara, Arishinakunte Village, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District bounded on: **East by:** Private Property, **West by:** Site No.301, **North by:** Site No.303 and **South by:** Road

DILIPKUMAR. B.A, Advocate
Basavanahalli village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Ph No.9740574024

S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER

e-Tender Notice No.: E-DRM-Engg-ADRA-11-12-25, Dated: 07.02.2025. For and on behalf of the President of India, DRM(Engg)/Adra, South Eastern Railway invites **02 (Two)** nos. e-tenders for **WLMS, Bridge Works** as mentioned hereunder: **Sl.No.**-1, **Tender No.: E-DRM-Engg-ADRA-11-25. Description of works:** Provision of Water Level Monitoring System on Bridge no. 284 at Km. 227/23-37 between Kharagpur-Bankura section on Dwarkeshwar river in Adra Division of South Eastern Railway with AMC for 3 years. **Tender value:** ₹ 3,73,740.55. **Sl.No.**-2, **Tender No.: E-DRM-Engg-ADRA-12-25. Description of works:** Extension and rehabilitation of 8 nos. of Bridge No. 215, 216, 219, 224, 228, 230, 232, 278 by RCC jacketing. **Tender value:** ₹ 11,68,96,209.28. The closing date and time of e-tenders are on **07.03.2025 at 15.00 hrs.** (for Sl.No. 1 & 2 each). Details of above e-tenders may please be seen at website **www.ireps.gov.in.** **(PR-1117)**

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. CEE/TZ/GLB/SEE (O)/AEE-1/2024-25/17569 **Date:10.02.2025**

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Mode Only)

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited, Operation Zone, Kalaburagi Invites bids from the eligible bidders against bid enquiry no: **CEE/TZ/KLB/SEE(O)/AEE-1/2024-25/Goods-8/ OLP Relay dtd:07.02.2025** for "Supply, installation and Commissioning of 100 Nos of OLP relays (as per specification) to EIP feeders with farm houses in various sub-stations of Kalaburagi (Operation) Zone, KPTCL" on Total Turnkey basis.

For more information log on to KPTCL website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** on hyperlink "E Procurement KPTCL" or procurement website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in on or after **11.02.2025**.

Sd/- Chief Engineer, Electy, Operation Zone, KPTCL,
Prasarana Bhavan, Sedam Road, Kalaburagi-585106.

Kolar District Co-Operative Milk Producer's Societies Union Limited., Kolar

[P.B No. 63, N.H-75, Huthur Post, Kolar – 563102. Karnataka]
(Ph.No 08152-282 310/350/331,7760964517,
E-Mail- komulpurchase@yahoo.com)

IFT No. KMU/ PUR/ E-PROCUREMENT/ 10741 /2024-25 Date: 07.02.2025

**** E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION ****

The Kolar Milk Union Limited, Kolar invites tenders from eligible Tenderers for the supply of the following materials.

Sl. No.	Description of Material	Qty
01	Supply, Installation & Commissioning of Automatic Milk Collection Unit With Electronic Milk Analyzer and Ultrasonic Stirrer along with accessories at various DCS of KOMUL	225 No's

Access to E-tender Documents : 10.02.2025 to 12.03.2025 5.30 PM
Last date for submission : on or before 12.03.2025, 5.30 PM
Date of opening of Tech. Tender : 14.03.2025, 11.00 AM onwards
Tender documents may be downloaded from e-procurement website https://Kppp.Karnataka.gov.in/

Sd/-
M.D.KOMUL

PUBLIC NOTICE

The public are hereby notified that, my clients have agreed to purchase the Schedule property from its Owner **SMT.G.SHAMANTHAKAM** W/o Sri.G.Sreepathysetty, residing at No.472/472/2, 14th Main Road, Srinivasanagar, Bengaluru-560050.

The Owner represents that, she had misplaced/lost the original (i) Allotment Letter issued by the MICO Employees' House Building Co-Operative Society Limited, Bengaluru to Sri.T.S.Annappa; (ii)Possession Certificate bearing No.PC/680/1 dated 03/10/1988 issued by the MICO Employees' House Building Co-Operative Society Limited, Bengaluru to Sri.T.S.Annappa; (iii)Sale Deed dated 14/10/1988 executed by the MICO Employees' House Building Co-Operative Society Limited, Bengaluru in favour of Sri.T.S.Annappa, registered as document No.2400/1988-89, in Book-1, Volume-1201, at pages 235 to 240, in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Jayangar, Bangalore City; (iv)Khatha Endorsement issued by the BBMP in the name of Sri.T.S.Annappa; (v)Khatha Endorsement issued by BDA bearing No.BDA/RO(S)/680/MICO/N.S.P/1989-90 dated 24/05/1989 in the name of Sri.T.S.Annappa and other related documents of the Schedule Property and she had lodged a police complaint on 03/02/2025 vide Lost Report No.1460052/2025, with the Bengaluru City Police. Further the Owner represents that she has not deposited or ot

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INDIA, FRANCE HAVE SHARED INTEREST FOCUSED ON FRIENDSHIP, SAYS MACRON

Ahead of his meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Paris, the French president said the two countries share common interests

FRENCH PRESIDENT HOSTS MODI FOR DINNER

Modi, who arrived in Paris on Monday night, will attend a dinner hosted by Macron at Élysée Palace. The highlight of his two-day visit to France will be the AI Action Summit, which he will co-chair with Macron on Tuesday. The two leaders will review the progress made so far on the 2047 Horizon Roadmap for India-France strategic partnership

MACRON CALLS INDIA A TRAINING SUPERPOWER

- Macron on Monday praised India's strength in technology and education. He called India a training superpower, noting that the country trains more engineers a year than the US, Europe combined
- PM Modi will fly to the US from France on Wednesday. He will meet President Donald Trump during the two-day US visit

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Don hints at new tariffs ahead of Modi's US visit

Trump likely to announce additional 25% tariffs on steel, aluminium

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

AHEAD of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to the US on February 12-13, US President Donald Trump has hinted at imposing a new 25% import duty on steel and aluminium—a move seen as an effort to boost domestic manufacturing. Speaking to reporters on his way to the NFL Super Bowl in New Orleans on Sunday, Trump indicated that such a tariff action was under consideration.

If implemented, it would be a repeat of the March 2018 decision by the then Trump administration, which had imposed a 25% duty on steel and a 10% levy on aluminium. The move could affect key trading partners, including India which exported $3 billion worth of iron, steel, and other steel products to the US in FY24. India's aluminium shipments to the US were valued at around $1 billion during the same period.

Among the major steel exporters to the US are Canada, Brazil, Mexico, South Korea, and Vietnam. Trump is known to use tariffs as a negotiating tool to secure better trade and investment deals. If the new tariffs kick in, experts warn of retaliatory measures from China, South Korea, Japan, and the European Union.

US President Donald Trump

US move worrying, says industry body

The Indian Steel Association on Monday expressed 'deep concern' over the US plan to impose tariffs on steel imports. "This is expected to slash steel exports to the US by 85%, creating a massive surplus that will likely flood India," ISA president Naveen Jindal said

While the industry is worried about the impact on India, a commerce ministry official said it would be limited if the tariffs are applied uniformly across all countries.

India recently announced a major overhaul in import duties in the Union Budget, a move widely seen as a pre-emptive response to avoid trade tensions with Trump.

Speaking to this paper, Revenue Secretary Tuhin Kanta Pandey highlighted that out of 8,562 tariff lines, 6,500 are below 10%, 7,600 are below 15%, and 8,400 are below 20%. Additionally, 260 tariff lines will now have zero duties. (Tariff lines categorise products for import duty purposes.)

According to an analysis by the Global Trade Research Initiative, many of the goods on which India has reduced import duties would directly benefit US exports. For instance, India cut tariffs on motorcycles with an engine capacity below 1,600cc from 50% to 40%, while for those above 1,600cc, it has been cut from 50% to 30%.

"US motorcycle exports to India stood at $3 million in FY2024, and this tariff cut could expand market access for American manufacturers," noted the GTRI analysis.

Russia's multirole fighter aircraft SU-57 on the 1st day of Aero India 2025 at the Yelahanka Air Base in Bengaluru on Monday; (Right) A pair of Indian Air Force choppers in action during the inauguration | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

AERO INDIA, 'MAHA KUMBH OF COLLABORATION', STARTS IN B'LURU

RAMU PATIL @Bengaluru

ASIA'S biggest aerospace exhibition, Aero India-2025, started at Air Force Station Yelahanka in Bengaluru on Monday with a call by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh for greater cooperation and collaboration among friendly nations to ensure peace and stability as well as a better world order.

Spectacular display of cutting-edge defence and aerospace technologies, and aerobatic performance by fighter jets and helicopters marked the beginning of the 15th edition of Aero India. Singh described it as the "Maha Kumbh" of collaboration and display of India's strength in defence and aerospace, while drawing a parallel with the ongoing Maha Kumbh at Prayagraj in Uttar Pradesh.

He said an important objective of Aero India is to showcase India's industrial capability and technological advancements to the entire world and also to further strengthen symbiotic relations with friendly nations. "We often interact as buyers and sellers, where our relations are at a transactional level. However, at another level, we forge our partnership beyond the buyer-seller relationship to the level of industrial collaboration. We have many successful examples of co-production and co-development with like-minded countries," he told participants from friendly nations. Defence ministers and senior-ranking defence officials from many friendly countries are taking part in the show.

Singh said as they enhance the depth of their relations, their success will soar to greater heights. "For us, there is no Indian security or Indian peace in isolation. Security, stability and peace are shared constructs that transcend national borders. The presence of our foreign friends is a testimony to the fact that our partners share our vision of One Earth, One family, One future," he said. P7

Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi and Air Chief Marshal A P Singh during Aero India 2025 at Yelahanka Air Force Station in Bengaluru on Monday | ALLEN EGENUSE J

India-UK agreements eye next-gen weapons

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE India-UK strategic partnership has taken a major step forward eyeing collaboration in next-generation weapon systems with the formal launch of Defence Partnership–India (DP-I) on Monday, the opening day of the five-day Aero India 2025.

The two countries on Monday signed several agreements. They agreed to expand their collaboration on next-generation weapons with Thales and Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) signing a contract that will deliver Laser Beam Riding MANPADs (LBRM), with an initial supply of High Velocity Missiles (STARStreak) and launchers to be delivered this year.

This contract represents an important next step for India-UK defence cooperation in the critical area of air defence.

Following the signing of this initial LBRM contract, both Thales and BDL will further collaborate to produce Lightweight Multirole Missiles (LMM).

This develops and expands the partnership between Indian and British industry, laying the foundation for BDL and Indian industry to form an integral part of Thales' global supply chain. It will address mutual security concerns, create jobs in both countries and enable interoperability by both the armies. P6

Joint joyride of IAF, army chiefs shows camaraderie, trust in LCA

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

IN the face of questions being raised on delays and safety of the light combat aircraft Tejas, the eve of Aero India 2025 saw Air Chief Marshal Amar Preet Singh taking to the skies from Air Force Station Yelahanka in the two-seater multi-role fighter. And he wasn't alone. The seat behind him was occupied by an old buddy and batchmate at the National Defence Academy, who is now the Chief of Army Staff (CoAS), General Upendra Dwivedi.

It was for the first time that two heads of respective armed forces flew together on a fighter for the Aero India 2025. Questions over LCA's safety and delays shifted to whether it was safe for two chiefs of respective armed forces to fly on Tejas together, with no other pilot. But they did, just the two old buddies on a 45-minute joyride.

It so emerged that during the sortie, there was much leg-pulling and light-hearted banter between the two senior-most officers.

Recollecting the interaction the two had in the cockpit mid-air, Air Chief Singh said, "He was giving me instructions." That the instructions came from the CoAS — who has probably never flown a fighter, and definitely not the LCA — to the Air Chief who is a veteran fighter pilot, was in itself humour in uniform. General Dwivedi termed the sortie as one of the most memorable moments of his life.

> **Had he (Gen Dwivedi) been in the Indian Air Force, he would have been the air chief, not me ... It was a wonderful experience. He put a lot of trust in me** —Air Chief Marshal Amar Preet Singh

"Had he (Gen Dwivedi) been in the IAF, he would have been the air chief, not me," he joked, adding: "It was a wonderful experience. He put a lot of trust in me," Singh said.

That 'trust' although placed in the Air Chief, has also translated in it being reposed in the LCA Tejas after the sortie. In fact, Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh on Sunday said so — during the presser following the curtain-raiser by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh — that it was a moment of confidence-building and trust in the LCA.

The Air Chief took off in the LCA again on Monday, the inaugural of Aero India 2025, but this time, without his buddy.

> **Peace cannot be achieved in a weak state of security. The banyan tree of peace can only stand on the roots of strength. We need to work together to be strong and to ensure a better world order** —Rajnath Singh, Defence Minister

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NEW CM

Hectic parleys in Manipur as BJP scouts for Biren successor

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @Guwahati

A day after Biren Singh resigned as Manipur Chief Minister, BJP's Northeast in-charge Sambit Patra on Monday held a series of closed-door meetings in Imphal in an effort to identify a successor.

Patra met Speaker T Satyabrata Singh, ministers Y Khemchand, Basantakumar Singh, BJP MLA Thokchom Radheshyam Singh, MLAs of the Naga People's Front, the state's security advisor Kuldiep Singh, and Hill Areas Committee Chairman Dinganglung Gangmei. When reports last came in, he was meeting BJP legislators individually.

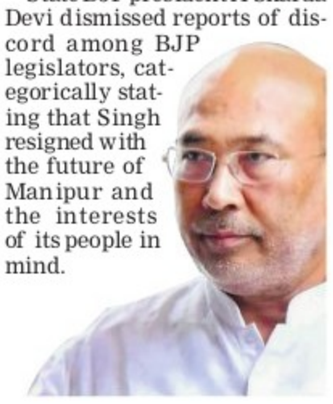
Sources said the party is looking for a leader with acceptance among both the Meitei and tribal communities as the the next chief minister.

The names of Satyabrata Singh, Khemchand, Basantakumar, Konthoujam Govindas, and Radheshyam are being discussed in the state's political circles as potential candidates.

Meanwhile, security was heightened in the Imphal Valley as the situation remained volatile following Singh's resignation.

State Congress chief Keisham Meghachandra Singh stated that the Congress would oppose any attempts to impose President's Rule or suspend the state assembly.

State BJP president A Sharda Devi dismissed reports of discord among BJP legislators, categorically stating that Singh resigned with the future of Manipur and the interests of its people in mind.



Sonia's push for population census

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @New Delhi

IN her first intervention in the Rajya Sabha during the Budget session on Monday, Congress leader Sonia Gandhi strongly emphasised the need for a population census at the earliest. Around 14 crore people are currently being deprived of benefits under the National Food Security Act (NFSA) primarily due to outdated population data being used to identify beneficiaries, she said.

Introduced by the UPA government in September 2013, the NFSA was described by her as a landmark initiative aimed at ensuring food and nutritional security for the people.

She commended the NFSA for playing a pivotal role in safeguarding vulnerable households, especially during the Covid-19 crisis. "The legislation has been crucial in protecting millions of people from hunger," she added.

However, she pointed out that the allocation of food grains under the Act is still based on the 2011 Census data, which no longer reflects the population's actual size. "The government should complete the population census at the earliest," she asserted.

Sonia also noted that the NFSA laid the foundation for the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY). Hammering her point home, she said, "Under the NFSA, 75% of the rural population and 50% of the urban population are entitled to receive subsidised food grains."

For the first time in independent India's history, the decennial census has been delayed by more than four years. Originally scheduled for 2021, there is still no clarity on when it will be conducted.

At present, the government provides 5 kg of free food grains per person each month under the NFSA.

FOOD SECURITY IS A FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT

"It is imperative that the government prioritises completion of the census as soon as possible and ensures that all deserving individuals receive the benefits under the NFSA. Food security is not a privilege. It is a fundamental right," Sonia said

Rowdy-sheeter goes on knifing spree in B'luru

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

A rowdy-sheeter is on a spree of attacking people with a knife in the upscale Indiranagar, triggering panic among residents in the area that they could be his next victim. Four people were attacked within five hours from Saturday night.

Two of the victims are pani puri vendors, while the other two were stabbed for refusing to give him a lift. All the four have filed complaints with the Indiranagar police and are undergoing treatment. The police have registered three attempt-to-murder cases and a robbery case against the accused. He is said to have come out of jail recently and was repeatedly troubling passersby and shop vendors to gain dominance in the area.

The victims are identified as 24-year-old Deepak Kumar Verma of Motappanapalya in Indiranagar and hailing from Prayagraj, 44-year-old M Thammaiah of Appareddypalya in Indiranagar, 24-year-old A Adil, of Cholarapalya on Magadi Road, and 19-year-old P Jaswanth, a resident of 10th 'A' cross in Indiranagar.

The accused — Kadamba, 22 — listed as a rowdy-sheeter at the Indiranagar police station, first stabbed Jaswanth when he went to collect water from a BBMP purified water centre around 9.30 pm on Saturday. The accused sat on Jaswanth's two-wheeler asking for a lift. When he refused, the accused attacked him with a knife and fled. Verma was attacked at his shop around 9.40 pm for not giving him a plate of pani puri as the items were over.

Thammaiah, who runs a pani puri shop, was attacked around 9.50 pm as he asked the accused to pay after eating. Adil was attacked around 2.30 am on Sunday for refusing to give Kadamba a lift till KR Puram railway station. The police are searching for the accused.

EXPRESS READ

Rajnath Singh to inaugurate GIM today

Bengaluru: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh will inaugurate Invest Karnataka 2025 - Global Investors' Meet in Bengaluru on Tuesday. Representatives from 19 countries are expected to engage in investment dialogues, while the investors' meet will be held from February 12 to 14 at Bengaluru Palace Grounds. Over 40 companies from across the world will showcase their technologies. P4

Lawsuit against Trump for unlawful firing

Washington: The head of the Office of Special Counsel, a federal agency that seeks to protect whistleblowers in the US, has sued President Donald Trump for being 'illegally fired' as part of the massive overhaul of the government. Hampton Dellinger was informed of his firing in an email Friday evening from the White House personnel director, who said he was writing on behalf of the president.

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'Rollback Metro fare hike' chorus grows louder

Priyank Kharge blames Centre for increase, Student unions demand 50% concession

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PUBLIC uproar over the steep hike in Metro fare escalated on Monday with representatives of different organisations meeting the Managing Director of Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited, Maheshwar Rao, requesting a rollback of the move. It also took a political turn with the Congress blaming the BJP for the hike.

The All India Democratic Students Organisation District Secretary Kalyan Kumar and president Apurva submitted a memorandum in person to the MD at the BMRCL office. It said, "Of the daily average of 7 lakh commuters, 30% are students. Hiking the fare is a big blow to the public and students in particular. Students Union memorandum sought a 50 percent concession in fare for students. The whole idea of Metro was to decongest traffic on the streets but such a hike will defeat the move."

CK Ramamurthy, BJP's Jayanagar MLA, along with Basavanagudi MLA Ravi Subramanya, J Dasarahalli MLA S Muniraju met Rao with his team and submitted a representation appealing for a reconsideration of the steep hike proposed in Metro fares.

On the other hand, Karnataka IT Minister Priyank Kharge blamed the Central government for the hike in Metro fare, stating it was solely responsible for the decision. "The hike has been effected by BMRCL and the centre. The Fare Fixation Committee was set up by the Centre. Earlier, BJP MPs from Bengaluru had appealed to the Centre not to implement the fare hike and when it was temporarily put on hold, they took credit of it. Now that the hike has been implemented, will they take responsibility for it?"

Taking a dig at Leader of Opposition R Ashoka handing over roses to male passengers and apologising when the state transport corporation bus fares shot up, Kharge dared Ashoka to stand outside Metro stations and do the same presently.

Meanwhile, the #RevokeMetroFareHike campaign continued on X with the CM, PM and the official BMRCL handle bombarded with woes of commuters calling the hike looting of the public. Some of them stated the hike in their case was 100% and put out proof of tickets. Police sources also said that protests were

staged by BJP workers calling for the hike to be revoked at important Metro stations including Jayanagar, Kengeri and Vijayanagar.

A few commuters also put up photos of Metro trains running empty on Monday. When asked about the dip in ridership on a busy day like Monday, Metro officials said they would be able to share the data only the following day (Tuesday).

Further, BMRCL MD Rao told TNIE, "We are aware of the anomalies that have been reported by some commuters. There should not be any 100% or 120% hike and we did not plan that at all. We are trying to assess what happened and are closely looking into the anomalies reported."

Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar along with Industries Minister MB Patil inspects the venue of Invest Karnataka 2025 - Global Investors' Meet at Bangalore Palace Grounds on Monday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Rajnath to inaugurate GIM today, K'taka expects ₹10L cr investments

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WITH the theme 'Reimagining Growth', Invest Karnataka 2025 - Global Investors' Meet, is all set to be inaugurated by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Tuesday. Karnataka is expecting Rs 10 lakh crore investments from the meet.

Representatives from 19 countries are expected to engage in investment dialogues, while the investors' meet will be held from February 12 to 14 at Bengaluru Palace Grounds. According to a press release, over 40 companies from across the world will showcase their technologies. The expo will focus on fostering cross-sector collaborations and investments, enabling knowledge-sharing between leading enterprises, research institutions and policymakers.

The Future of Innovation Expo will present cutting-edge solutions across sectors, including drone technology, space tech, agri-tech, health tech, semiconductor technology, electric mobility and sustainable manufacturing. It will feature autonomous solutions for manufacturing, aerospace and defence, underlining Karnataka's role as India's innovation hub. The expo will host a diverse mix of global industry leaders, high-growth startups and research-driven enterprises, providing them with an opportunity to connect with potential investors, policymakers and technology partners.

Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar and Industries Minister MB Patil visited the Palace Grounds on the eve of the meet on Monday. Shivakumar told reporters that they are looking for investment beyond Bengaluru. "We want people to stop coming to Bengaluru. The population of Bengaluru is over 1.4 crore. The Karnataka government is coming up with a new policy. MB Patil is working on it. We want industries to focus beyond Bengaluru," he said.

Baldota Group to set up ₹54,000 cr mega steel plant in Koppal

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IN a move set to redefine India's steel industry, Karnataka-based Baldota Group is making history with a massive Rs 54,000 crore investment to establish an integrated steel powerhouse in Koppal. This gigantic 10.50 million tonne per annum plant-one of the largest in the region-will catapult Karnataka to the forefront of steel production, driving industrial expansion and economic prosperity. The game-changing announcement will be sealed with an MoU at the prestigious Global Investors' Meet on February 11.

Under the banner of Baldota Steel and Power Limited (BSPL), the plant promises to be a beacon of opportunity, unlocking 15,000 direct and indirect jobs for local communities.

Government sources indicated that Koppal is among the most backward districts in Karnataka and unemployment is one of their biggest problems. Rahul Kumar N Baldota, Joint Managing Director, said that the project will not only boost steel production but also cement Karnataka's reputation as an industrial titan.

Speaking to TNIE, Rahul Kumar Baldota said, "We will have the groundbreaking next month and investment will be in phases. It will need some time about... 2.5 years to 3 years... to be fully functional." On availability of iron ore, he said, "The ore will be available in a 50-km radius and will be ferried to the location as efficiently as possible."

"The government is bullish on infrastructure as was evident in the budget and there is going to be a huge demand for steel in the coming days be it for rail or road or other infrastructure," he said, adding that their vision is to position Baldota as a national leader, and the Koppal project will undoubtedly be Karnataka's pride in the steel sector.

Former FKCCI president J Crasta agreed, "Steel requirement is going to be very massive in the coming days."

The population of Bengaluru is over 1.4 crore. Karnataka government is coming up with a new policy. Minister MB Patil is working on it. We want industries to focus beyond Bengaluru — DyCM DK Shivakumar

EXPRESS READ

Prez Droupadi Murmu to attend Int'l Women's Conference

Bengaluru: President Droupadi Murmu, along with influential women across politics, business, arts, and social impact, is all set to participate in the 10th International Women's Conference, hosted by Art of Living from February 14 to 16 at Art of living international centre. The conference will feature over 60 speakers and 500 delegates. The International Women's Conference is chaired by Bhanumathi Narasimhan, sister of Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar. The event will also feature cultural programmes, including an International Food Festival and a musical performance-- Sita Charitam.

First aid, Basic Life Support training session held

Bengaluru: As many as 280 high school students, accompanied by about 25 teachers from Florence Public School, RT Nagar, participated in a First Aid and Basic Life Support (BLS) training session at Bangalore Baptist Hospital (BBH). The training was conducted by Dr Sreekanth and his expert team from the Department of Emergency Medicine at BBH. Through interactive demonstrations and hands-on practice, students learned essential lifesaving techniques such as cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), handling medical emergencies, and the importance of timely first aid response.

Stoppage for key trains at Karmelaram stn soon

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

EVEN as the demand from residents in South East Bengaluru for a stoppage at Karmelaram railway station intensifies, the Railways says this is possible only after the ongoing Baiyappanahalli-Hosur track doubling project gets completed. There is a vociferous demand for a stoppage of Kurla Express and Nagercoil Express in both directions.

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager Krishna Chaitanya told TNIE, "There is a demand from the public to have a stoppage here. However, it is not possible unless the ongoing doubling project along this stretch being implemented by the Karnataka Rail Infrastructure Development Enterprises (K-RIDE) is completed. It could be completed by May this year."

He said, "The station, categorised as NSG4, at present has an average of 3,200 footfalls daily. The unreserved ticket earnings come to an average of Rs 26,000 daily, while the reserved ticket earnings average Rs 82,300 daily."

At present, the Bengaluru-Ernakulam Express, Mysuru-Cuddalore Express, Mysuru-Tuticorin Express, Yesvantpur-Kannur Express, SMVT Karaikal Unreserved Express, the Yesvantpur-Salem unreserved Express and three pairs of MEMU trains stop here.

"The platform extension work will be taken up under the yard remodelling work. The length will be extended from 460 metres to 560 metres. This will be done as part of doubling works," he added.

A rail over bridge planned here to ensure the safety of commuters dashing across the railway tracks was stuck for long. The inordinate delay was due to land acquisition issues. Public are forced to take a detour between Gunjur Main Road and Sarjapur Main Road.

Greater B'luru Bill pitches for 5 smaller corpns, early BBMP polls

MOHAMMED YACOOB
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FOR the development and smooth administration of Bengaluru, often called the Silicon Valley of India, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) should be restructured into five smaller corporations, said Rizwan Arshad, Chairman of the Joint Scrutiny Committee for the Karnataka Legislative Assembly, which is reviewing the Greater Bengaluru Governance Bill 2024.

He was speaking after inaugurating a public consultation programme in the BBMP east zone to gather suggestions and opinions on the bill.

"Better governance can be achieved through coordinated efforts on a common platform. We will discuss and finalise what changes are needed and where they should be implemented," he said.

He emphasised that Bengaluru's administration must be strengthened to match the city's rapid growth, ensuring that public services remain accessible and efficient. He added that a robust system is essential for the development of the city.

"The Bill has already been prepared and extensively debated. The committee held 17 meetings, including discussions with opposition BJP lawmakers from the city and various stakeholders. It was drafted after thorough discussion of its many dimensions," he added. The public consultation process is being conducted at six locations in the city, starting Monday and concluding on Wednesday. Citizens are encouraged to share their suggestions and tips as the city's administration faces increasing challenges.

"Apart from the five corporations, the extension of the mayor's term has also been mentioned in the bill. These will have to be done through the Administrative Reforms Act," added Arshad.

When asked about BBMP election, Arshad said once the bill is cleared in the house, elections to BBMP will also be announced. He also ruled out that the new bill will in no way regularise the existing building by-laws violation.

Former Minister and BJP MLA ST Somashekhar, who took part in the event, said he bats for the bill as the existing system with only one mayor and one BBMP Chief Commissioner is making city administration challenging. "There will be five smaller corporations with up to 75 elected corporators and a Chief Commissioner each. At the top level, the Chief Minster will serve as the chairman, ensuring necessary funds are allocated. Each ward will have a population of around 30,000 to facilitate more efficient administration and governance."

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

11TH February : More about Sagittarius, one of my signs of the week. One feature of this fiery sign is its love of travel. But, while Sagittarians can be physical explorers, they also experience journeys of the mind and soul. This is why Sagittarius is often the sign best suited to wise people, to gurus, sages and teachers.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Today's very special social and romantic planetary pattern is one to be welcomed and enjoyed, so do the sensible thing and make love and friendship your highest priorities. In fact, it's a day which favours everyone with a poetic out look on the world. If you stick to your normal rut you'll miss out.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Something marvellous is about to happen. Partners, loved ones and colleagues, in fact anyone you're involved with very closely, will change their minds. They may even come out with it and say that you were right all along. Give it a few more days!

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Take the initiative, especially at work. You may find that news which has been held up will now arrive; if not today, then certainly by the end of the week. When it does appear, you'll be able to clarify your options. Mind you, too many choices could be the last thing you need now.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
If the current working pattern of your life does not live up to expectations, or if you do not feel that you are being adequately rewarded, it's because you are not drawing on your personal skills. Do something about it! And if someone else has the best ideas then listen carefully.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
The Moon encourages you to deal with business, especially anything in which other people are closely involved. The only trouble is that it also heightens your imagination while reducing your grasp of the facts. You may turn this to your advantage.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You should listen to what partners are saying. You may have to be a mind-reader to pick up the full significance of their words and thoughts, and at the very least you'll be forced to read between the lines. But, then, that's the best way to pick up the messages that have passed partners by.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
There's a chance that you may remain trapped in an emotional rut or oblivious to the many unique opportunities which are beginning to present themselves. Your best approach today should be to tackle routine chores, clearing the decks for the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
There seems to be reasonable scope for pleasure today. The implication is that even the dullest activity can be livened up if only you would change your attitudes. There's also a chance to improve relationships with children and younger family members.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Sometimes life can be surprisingly logical. For the next few days you will get nowhere unless you start at the beginning, then deal with the middle, and finish at the end. In other words, if you do things out of their proper order you may waste your time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
You have a few days in which to think, talk and ponder the future. The mood of the moment is rather poetic, so you may concentrate on conveying meaning rather than listing the facts. After all, what you really want is for partners to actually understand you!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Your stars are nicely adventu-rous and certai-nly very hopeful. Perhaps you can leave all dull and boring matters for next week and exploit every opportunity to socialise, travel and expand your spiritual horizons. The only trouble could be caused by rising costs, so just keep an eye on your commitments and don't promise more than you can afford.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Soon you will hold most of the trump cards. For now, your hand is not very much stronger than your partner's, which means that you must hang on carefully to your opportunities or make the most of your many talents. By tomorrow time will have moved on and you will have another chance.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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1	3	8	4	6	2	5	9	7
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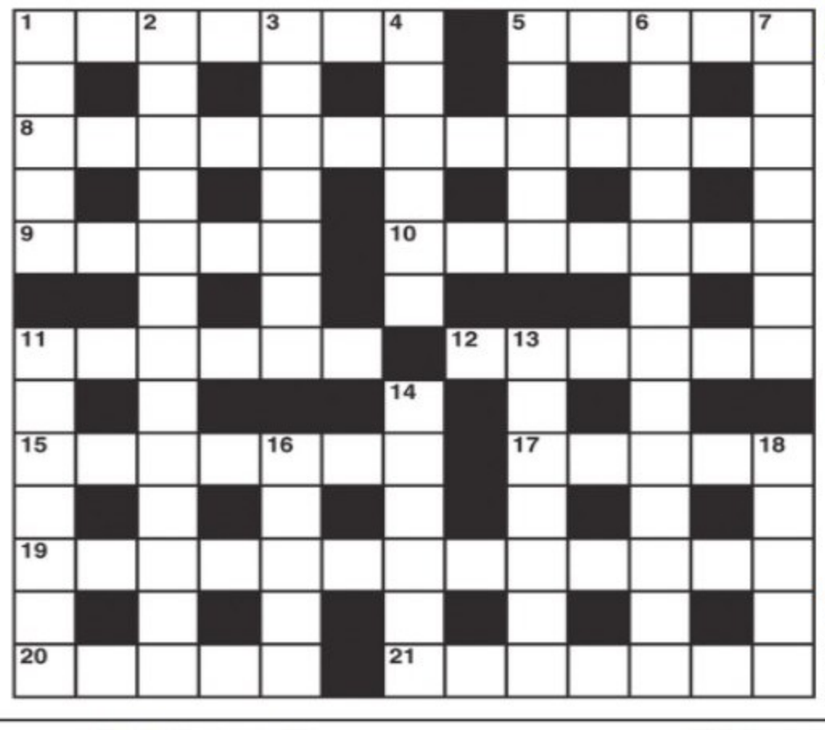
Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 Saw dog's name inside lead (7)
5 Timber to go on the ship (5)
8 Unusual stage entrances disclose mysterious events (5,6-2)
9 Force out an obsolete law (5)
10 Step on it before the opening (7)
11 Charles starts writing for openings (6)
12 Step on board for accommodation (6)
15 Chief opponent out of reach (4,3)
17 Let in or out (5)
19 Reverse the charge? (13)
20 A deal with America for plant (5)
21 Changed sea duty for a 24-hour period (7)

DOWN
1 Resentment shown when the card game is unfinished (5)
2 Start relating what a would-be saver should do (4,2,7)
3 Slip in a Latin expression (7)
4 She's fairly feminine (6)
5 Strange job an instrumentalist may hold (5)
6 Take the lead for granted? (6,7)
7 Needs to set points out (7)
11 Opportunity given to a number in the church (7)
13 A priest making money in Egypt (7)
14 It may be of untold value (6)
16 Three goddesses lay out a feast (5)
18 One needs to bring up the animal for a drink (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Cheap, 8 Positive, 9 Palms, 10 Prepared, 11 Alone, 12 All, 16 Unisex, 17 Eyelid, 18 Egg, 23 Winds, 24 Diamonds, 25 Liner, 26 Chip shot, 27 Chase.

Down: 2 Headland, 3 Admonish, 4 Corral, 5 Nippy, 6 Fiord, 7 Beads, 12 Axe, 13 Leg, 14 Devilish, 15 Mindless, 19 God son, 20 Edict, 21 Basin, 22 Boast.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

NBGIR

FRDTA

NRUPIT

SRYGSA

It says here that the supporting cast stole the film; especially a new young actress, and they name you!
Hopefully, the paparazzi won't ruin my morning view.
12/17
THE PROMISING, YOUNG ACTRESS WHO LOVED TO WATCH THE SUN COME UP EACH DAY WAS A ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here: _____ _____

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: FANCY WHISK BOTTOM WORTHY
Answer: When he took his date on a little boat, it was — "ROW-MANTIC"

A five-year-old tiger was found dead in a pond adjacent to Sriramedevara Halla in Belur taluk, Hassan, on Monday. According to forest officials, the cause of the death will be known after the autopsy. The tiger was caught in a forest near Mysuru and released after being collared into the Bhadra wildlife sanctuary in Chikkamagaluru recently

OPPOSING ACQUISITION

Farmers protest at Freedom Park ahead of the Global Investors' Meet in Bengaluru on Monday, demanding that the government present a white paper on land acquired by KIADB | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

AFTER 14 YEARS ON THE RUN, WAITER HELD FOR KILLING FRIEND

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A 34-year-old waiter, who had been on the run after murdering his friend nearly 14 years ago, was arrested by the RT Nagar police from Vyalikaval last week. While absconding, the accused, identified as R John, worked as a waiter in Tirupati for six years and then came to Hoskote, where he worked in hotels for more than seven years.

John, along with his friends Chaati Raja, Arun and Manikanta, killed 20-year-old Chetan over an old rivalry on the 1st Main Road of Kempegowda Colony in Ganganagar on August 22, 2011.

Based on a complaint from Chetan's father, the police had arrested Raja, Arun and Manikanta and had submitted a chargesheet against them before the court. In the chargesheet, the police had mentioned that John was absconding. Among the three, Arun had died, and Raja, who had come out on bail, had escaped, and an arrest warrant was issued against him.

A month ago, the police arrested Raja and resumed the search for John, who had around 20 warrants against him. Through local intelligence, police found out that John's parents were residing at Vyalikaval. When the parents did not provide any information, the police checked if any of their Aadhaar cards were linked with anything. They found out that one of their cards was linked to a gas agency. Through the agency, the police collected the contact details of one of the parents and kept a watch. The police found out that the parents were from Andhra Pradesh and sent a team there. In AP, the police learnt that John had moved to Bengaluru a year back.

"John was not staying with his parents but was in regular touch with them, which helped us arrest him. He would often move places fearing arrest. He has been sent to police custody," said an officer.

John, Raja, Arun, Manikanta and Chetan were friends. Once during an argument, Chetan had attacked Raja and had even gone to jail. After he came out, Raja wanted revenge and sought the help of the other three. On the day of the murder, the accused started a fight with Chtean. In a fit of rage, Chetan attacked John with a beer bottle, and in retaliation, the latter stabbed him to death with a knife.

Home min defends police for stopping Ed Sheeran's gig

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HOME Minister Dr G Parameshwara has defended the Cubbon Park police for stopping British pop star Ed Sheeran's impromptu performance on Church Street in Bengaluru. The minister clarified that the singer was permitted to perform at a different venue and not on Church Street.

"He was given permission to perform at a venue in Madavara. All of a sudden he came to Church Street and started singing. The police had not given any permission to him. We did not want anybody taking advantage of the situation as he is a famous singer. A lot of people would have gathered to watch him and there would have been chaos. To prevent this, the police stopped him," he added.

Sheeran's surprise live street performance in Bengaluru on Sunday morning was abruptly halted by the city police claiming that he did not have the necessary permissions. The police stated that they received a complaint from the public regarding nuisance. A viral video circulating on social media showed Sheeran singing his chartbuster 'Shape of You' while playing his guitar. However, no formal complaint was registered against the singer.

EXPRESS READ

Man found charred to death in eucalyptus grove

Bengaluru: A 65-year-old man was charred to death allegedly while trying to douse a fire at his eucalyptus grove at Kaggalipalya in Bengaluru North on Monday afternoon. The deceased has been identified as Kabalaiah. His family members, who went searching for him, found the charred remains near the eucalyptus grove. The police are also looking into any foul play. The reason for the fire is yet to be ascertained. The Madhanayakanahalli police have registered a case. ENS

Mention nature of injuries while fixing compensation: HC

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NOTING that the Motor Vehicles Accident Claims Tribunals (MACT) are jumping to conclusions to determine compensation based on the disability stated by a medical officer, the Karnataka High Court said non-mention of the nature of injuries suffered or describing them simply as grievous or simple would not reflect that the Tribunals had applied their mind to the nature of injuries.

Justice CM Joshi made these observations while allowing partly the appeal filed by New India Assurance Co. Ltd., questioning award of Rs 10.11 lakh by the Tribunal in 2019 in favour of Ramesh of Aurad in Bidar district.

"The petitioner is entitled to a sum of Rs 4.54 lakh instead of Rs 10.11 lakh as total compensation along with interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the date of petition till the date of deposit," the court said, directing the registry to send a copy of the order to the Karnataka Judicial Academy for information in devising a training programme.

The court said it is necessary to note that the nature of injuries suffered by the petitioner has not been properly considered by the Tribunal, in the impugned judgment. In umpteen judgments of Tribunals, the high court observed that the nature of injuries and manner in which it would translate into functional disability are seldom discussed. Tribunals are jumping to the conclusion on the basis of disability stated by a medical officer. Therefore, it is expected that the nature of injuries suffered and how it will translate into functional disability is to be stated, the court said.

It is also obvious that medical officers would give their opinion in respect of physical disability, but are not capable of giving functional disability. Therefore, officers manning the tribunals are to be sensitized with the requirements of mentioning the nature of injuries suffered, in the judgments. Without the description of injuries and co-relating it to the disability, it is not possible to infer that the tribunals had applied their mind to assess functional disability, the court said.

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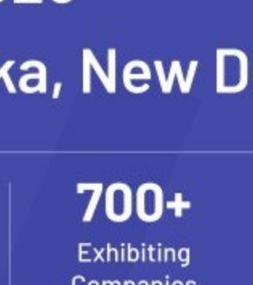

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METAL BIRDS RETURN WITH A ROAR....

A full-scale model of the fifth-generation Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) at Aero India 2025 | ALLEN EGENUSE J

AMCA, a 10-year project is on track, says ADA scientist

HRITHIK KIRAN BAGADE @ Bengaluru

THE Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA) has unveiled a full-scale model of the fifth-generation Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) at Aero India 2025, offering onlookers and the defence industry a glimpse of the sleekness and state-of-the-art design of the stealth fighter jet. It is expected to embark on its maiden flight in a couple of years, and join the Indian Air Force in the mid-2030s.

The unveiling of the 1:1 model marks a significant milestone, as it confirms completion of the aircraft's design phase and clearance of the Critical Design Review (CDR) by the Indian Air Force, as the programme moves towards more advanced phases of development.

The AMCA is India's answer to the development of its own fifth-generation stealth fighter jet, a feat achieved only by the US (Lockheed Martin F-22 Raptor and F-35 Lightning II), China (Chengdu J-20), and Russia (Sukhoi Su-57 'Felon').

Though the then UPA government had allocated Rs 90 crore, followed by an additional Rs 447 crore, for a feasibility study on AMCA in 2009, progress remained sluggish. It was only in March last year that the Cabinet Committee on Security, headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved the Rs 15,000-crore indigenous fifth-generation Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft project for the IAF, with the jet expected to be inducted by 2035. However, a series of technical challenges, particularly with the engine, continue to impair its pace of development, experts say.

Touching upon the AMCA programme's journey to The New Indian Express, ADA Outstanding Scientist & Scientist/Engineer 'H' Offg Project Director (AMCA) Krishna Rajendra Neeli, however, said, "We got approvals for the programme nine months ago, which might seem like a long duration, but there's no delay as such. It's a 10-year project, which started in April 2024."

Neeli informed that five prototypes will be built during the course of AMCA's development, and the aircraft itself will be developed for specific Indian requirements, without divulging more details.

The AMCA is slated to emerge as the most advanced fighter jet ever made in India, and by India, and one of the most advanced overall military platforms built in the country. It is due to combine cutting-edge features such as a stealth air frame, internal carriage for weapons, DSI air intake with serpentine duct, ergonomically-designed smart cockpit with advanced integrated avionics, integrated sensor suite, advanced sensors with data fusion, decision aids, and electronic pilot for enhanced autonomy, among others, defining its fifth-generation attributes. At a max all-up weight of 25T and length of 18m, with a wing-span of 11.13m, it will be larger than other fighters in IAF's inventory. Besides, it is expected to fly at a max speed of Mach 1.8, with a service ceiling of 55,000ft.

AXISCADES plans defence cluster in B'luru

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DEFENCE and aerospace technology & solutions provider AXISCADES plans to open a 'Defence Atmanirbhar Cluster' near KIADB aerospace SEZ, and will roll out its blueprint by next year. This project is being conceptualised in the company-owned 20.70 acres of land.

Apart from this, the Bengaluru-headquartered company plans GCC for unmanned warfare and will include drone/counter drone/radar hangars. Its facility in Electronics City is being transformed for this and will be commissioned by June 2025. The company on Monday announced an engagement with MBDA, a leading defence company, to establish a Centre of Excellence (CoE) for Test Benches in the upcoming Defence and Aerospace Park near KIA. Top officials of the company at the Aero Show said this will enable MBDA to establish a reliable platform to roll out its Make in India initiatives.

AXISCADES MD and CEO Sharadhi Chandra Babu P said the CoE is "a powerful testimony of our leadership in the Automated Test Equipment (ATE) domain and a reflection of our high quality, cost optimized deliveries. This strategic engagement with MBDA will grow further in the coming years".

The company has undertaken built-to-spec and built-to-print assignments on Test Benches for MBDA since 2018. The COE will be set up at AXISCADES's new premises coming up at Aerospace Park.

A Sukhoi in action | ALLEN EGENUSE J

NOW, LIGHT WEIGHT HELMETS FOR COMBAT PILOTS

AKNISREE KARTHIK @ Bengaluru

DIRECTORATE General of Aeronautical Quality Assurance (DGAQA) developed a light weight helmet for combat pilots, significantly reducing the strain of prolonged wear.

"Previously, the combined weight of the helmet, oxygen mask, radiotelephone connector, and microphone was over 5 kg. With the new design, using advanced composite materials, the helmet now weighs just 3.5 kg," said Master Warrant Officer Anil Kumar from DGAQA's Alisda Unit. The upgraded helmet also features a night vision system. Explaining how this cut down of 1.5 kg would help combat pilots, Kumar said, "The earlier designs used titanium, which added to the weight. However, now with the use of composite material, the helmets are much lighter."

HAL'S DHRUV-NG MAKES DEBUT

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

Soon after inaugurating Aero India on Monday, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh set the tempo that the air show means business. He took a walk through the stalls of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), taking in details of new technology and aircraft, including the Dhruv-(ALH)-NG, which made its maiden entry at the air show. HAL's spokesperson told TNIE that so far the aircraft, meant for civil use, has not been utilised, but the Indian Air Force is keen on procuring it. "They have shown interest to procure them, but we cannot divulge details till things are finalised," the official said. This is the first time it is on display and seating capacity can be customised from 6 to 14. Weighing 5,500kg, it has a maximum cruise speed of 250kmph and fuel tank capacity, it can also be used for heli-tourism with 9-14 seats, VIP travel, offshore operations, medical services including carrying stretchers, disaster and flood management, rescue and search operations and exploring and mining operations. The new systems in Dhruv include passenger address system, passenger headset, area navigation system, terrain awareness warning system, traffic collision avoidance system, satellite flight following system and automatic dependent surveillance broadcast. The HAL spokesperson added that the Dhruv MK-3 has emergency flotation gear, crashworthy structure, fuel tanks and life rafts.

GIVE INCENTIVES TO MANUFACTURERS OF AIRCRAFT, SHIVAKUMAR URGES RAJNATH

Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar appealed to Defence Minister Rajnath Singh to give incentives to manufacturers of aircraft and helicopters to set up their industry in Karnataka.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and DyCM DK Shivakumar greet the gathering at Aero India in Bengaluru on Monday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Speaking during the inauguration of Aero India 2025, Shivakumar said that Bengaluru is India's aerospace capital, home to over 60% of the country's aerospace manufacturing and defence research. Over 1,50,000 people work in Bengaluru's aerospace sector, making the city a global leader in aviation and defence technology, he said. "Karnataka plays a crucial role in India's aerospace sector, contributing 67% of the country's aircraft and helicopter manufacturing for defence services and 65% of India's aerospace-related exports. Despite these impressive figures, there is a significant gap in the industry," the DyCM added. Shivakumar appealed to Rajnath to consider and give incentives to manufacturers of aircraft and helicopters to set-up their industry in Karnataka and in India.

Foreign delegates enjoy the flight display at Aero India 2025 in Bengaluru on Monday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

HAL's HINDUSTAN JET TRAINER-36 IS NOW YASHAS

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

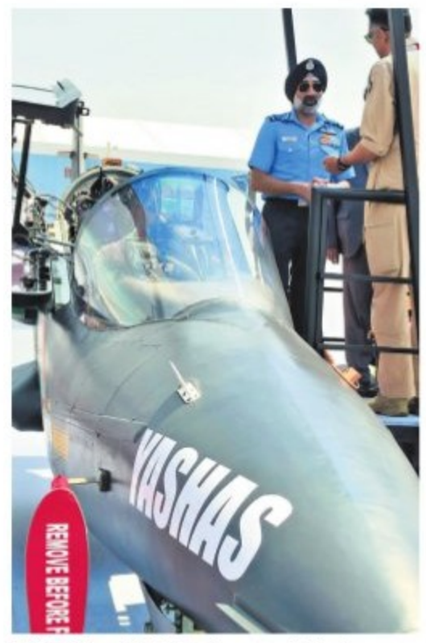
HINDUSTAN Aeronautics Limited (HAL) Chairman and Managing Director Dr DK Sunil on Monday said that they were working on developing the upgraded training aircraft — Yashas — renamed and upgraded version of Hindustan Jet Trainer (HJT)-36- Sitara — for the Indian Air Force (IAF).

"They are talking of four initially... we have prepared two. Certification for two more is needed. The Bengaluru AST can be used for testing of the aircraft," he told *TNIE*.

Elaborating, Dr Sunil said that it has risen like a phoenix, and it is an important one for the IAF.

Group Captain and trainer A Menon said that this is the best trainer aircraft in the world under the stage-2 aircraft category. With the turbo-cop, this will replace the Kiran and jet trainers. So after training in this, pilots need not go from aircraft to aircraft. This has auto and voice control panels, and the entire cockpit is made of glass.

Explaining the features, Dr Sunil said that trials of spin, sea level, crosswind, stall, and spin have been done, and partial weapon trials have also been done. HAL has worked on this for the last 8-9 years. Extensive changes have been done inside the cockpit and on the outer design, and all old issues have been addressed. The aircraft is now with a new look and a new cockpit for training.



Air Chief Marshal AP Singh poses with Yashas

UK looking forward to working with India, says diplomat

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ANNOUNCING DP-I, UK Defence Minister Lord Vernon Coaker opened the UK-India Defence Partnership Pavilion at Aero India 2025, and highlighted establishing a dedicated programme office within the UK's Ministry of Defence that would serve as a one-stop shop for strengthening bilateral defence collaboration between the two countries.

In a separate development, Matra BAe Dynamics UK (MBDA UK) and BDL have been working together on the installation of a first-of-its-kind Advanced Short-Range Air to Air Missile (ASRAAM) assembly and test facility in Hyderabad, arming current fleet of India's fighter jets as well as exporting to the world.

On the maritime front, the UK and India have signed a Statement of Intent to design and develop an Integrated Full Electric Propulsion (IFEP) system for India's next generation Landing Platform Dock (LPD) fleet. The landmark maritime electric propulsion capability transfer will ensure self-reliance in the power and propulsion of the Indian Navy's next generation fleets.

As next steps, GE Vernova and BHEL are working to develop India's first maritime Land Based Testing Facility to deliver LPD in the water by 2030.

Coaker said, "Our Defence Partnership and the UK-India Defence Partnership Pavilion will help strengthen our cooperation further, supporting economic growth in both our countries and India's Atmanirbhar ambition. This event showcases our collaboration in next-generation capability, and the massive potential the UK and India can unlock by working together."

Lindy Cameron, British High Commissioner to India, said, "India is taking significant steps in its journey to become Atmanirbhar in its defence capabilities. The UK is really looking forward to working with India as a partner of choice in supporting this ambition: collaborating on defence technologies lies at the heart of this. These are landmark agreements that support our economic growth and joint security."

The US Partnership Pavilion at Aero India 2025

'Indo-US defence ties deepening'

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CHARGÉ d'Affaires, US Embassy, New Delhi, Jorgan K Andrews underscored his country's commitment to deepening defence and security cooperation with India at the inauguration of the US Partnership Pavilion at Aero India 2025 on Monday. "President Trump and Prime Minister Modi have talked about the need to deepen defence trade between our nations. I am happy to report that, from small startups to robust defence public sector undertakings to the expanding private defence sector, bilateral defence trade is deepening," he added. Andrews said "the US defence industry has demonstrated its commitment to partnering with India to provide high-quality, technologically advanced defence equipment and systems that are considered the most operationally reliable in the world".

The US is one of the largest international exhibitors at Aero India 2025, featuring leading American aerospace and defence firms showcasing next-generation aircraft, advanced avionics, unmanned systems, space technologies, and innovative defence capabilities.

Spl DRDO scientists: Hand behind flares

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE audience at Aero India is not just awestruck by the scintillating aerobatic display of aircraft but also by the flares released from them while performing daredevil stunts.

While the audience knows all about the aircraft performing the maneuvers, not many know who makes the flares released by the metal birds. The flares released from the popular Surya Kiran pilots from their Hawk MK-132, or the Sarang's HAL Dhruv or the Tejas, are made by a team of special scientists in the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) unit in Pune. "The initial use of flares started as a defence mechanism or a warfare tactic. It was introduced in display sorties two decades back, and since then, there has been no looking back. The size of the flares in aircraft depends upon their size and shape. They can be used in all types of aircraft. Each of them has special pods where they are fixed and released," a DRDO scientist explained. He added that a separate flare is released for each aerial act, and so each aircraft carries 100s-1000s depending upon the type of operation. They can weigh anything between 100- 770 grams and are made by the High Energy Material Research Lab (HEMRL) in DRDO in Pune.

Sukhoi Su-30 fighter jets in action | ALLEN EGENUSE J

Not wanting to divulge the material used in making the flares, the scientist assured that eco-friendly, military-grade dye is used for the colours orange and green. "Everything is indigenously made, and the scientists are now pros in making them. They are producing not less than a thousand a day. They are also used in bird scare operations. Work is also on to upgrade them and have improvised versions from the existing 200 mm- 50 mm variants," the scientist said.

AFTER 13 YEARS IN AERO INDIA...

Surya Kiran Aerobatic Team paints skies with tricolour

RISHITA KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE Surya Kiran Aerobatic Team (SKAT), who performed a 11-minute display on the first day of Aero India 2025 on Monday, have reintroduced the tricolour trail after a gap of 13 years, but for the first time on a Hawk aircraft. The tricolours this time will be dispensed from the beginning till the Jai Hind maneuver.

This will be the first time the tricolour will be flown with the Surya Kiran team on a Hawk aircraft. Previously, the tricolour was displayed with the Kiran Mk II aircraft. The team, recognised as the Ambassadors of the Indian Air Force, has introduced new maneuvers, including a formation resembling the DNA structure. Squadron Leader Ankit Vashisth told TNIE that the time between each maneuver has been shortened, with continuous aerial performances scheduled to occur within 30 seconds. These rapid sequences will showcase multiple acrobatic stunts, adding a dynamic flair to the display, he said. The team has also extended its performance duration this year, now lasting 40-44 minutes, up from the previous 30-35 minutes. The team members mentioned that they had been working to feature the tricolour on the Hawk Mk 132, the Advanced Jet Trainer used by IAF. However, the modification was an indigenous effort, and the changes required were challenging to implement.

Surya Kiran Aerobatics Team performs on Day 1 of Aero India 2025 at the Yelahanka Air Force Station in Bengaluru on Monday | ALLEN EGENUSE J

Russian Su-57

For the first time, Aero India 2025 is hosting two of the world's most advanced fifth-generation fighter jets. Among them, the Russian Su-57, a fifth-generation stealth fighter, captivated the audience on Monday afternoon. The maneuvers demonstrated the aircraft's advanced combat capabilities and exceptional agility, leaving spectators in awe. Russia's premier stealth multirole fighter is equipped with cutting-edge avionics, supercruise technology, and advanced stealth features, making it one of the most formidable aircraft in modern warfare. These capabilities allow the Su-57 to carry out complex combat missions with high efficiency, while remaining nearly invisible to enemy radar.

Sarang missing

IAF's premier display team, Sarang, was notably absent from this year's Aero India, as all 330 Dhruv Advanced Light Helicopters have been grounded following a crash in January.

Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara on Monday clarified that no political issues were discussed during his Sunday meeting with AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge

RIGHTS OF LENDERS

K'taka govt resubmits microfin ordinance to Guv, with clarifications

Says legislation does not curb one's basic right, Gehlot had returned the ordinance on Friday

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THE Karnataka government on Monday re-submitted the Karnataka Micro Loan and Small Loan (Prevention of Coercive Actions) Ordinance, 2025, to **Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot** as it was, with a reply defending that it does not curb one's basic right, neglect the interest of lenders nor does it restrict loan recovery. The ordinance, with no changes but with clarifications on the issues raised by the governor, was re-submitted with an appeal to him to reconsider and issue the order, official sources in the law department confirmed.

The governor had on Friday returned the ordinance seeking clarifications on various issues, including punishment and penalty for contravention of the law. "Provision has been made for imposing penalty for contravention of Section 8 of the ordinance for punishment for a term which may extend to 10 years, and a fine extending up to Rs 5lakh and offences under this ordinance are non-bailable.

When the maximum amount of loan that can be given is Rs 3lakh, the proposed fine of Rs 5lakh itself is against natural principles. It is observed that the term of punishment proposed is also disproportionate, compared to the provisions already available in other laws for similar offences. It is also against the principle of natural justice," he remarked.

He had also said the ordinance benefits only borrowers and affects lenders, while suggesting that the bill could be tabled in the budget session commencing next month for deliberations in legislature.

Defending the ordinance, Law Minister HK Patil had said on Friday that it does not curb one's basic right and has not neglected the interest of lenders, nor restricted loan recovery. Unregistered or unlicensed lenders cannot give loans or levy compound interest or penalty interest. Such loans cannot be given under law, and such cases cannot be taken up in courts too, he had clarified. "If such acts of recovering loans by unregistered agencies is considered a basic right, then it means the Constitution is safeguarding people who are involved in such illegal acts," he said.

Patil defended the penalty of Rs 5 lakh, to which Governor Gehlot has objected. He said the penalty amount is not based on the loan amount given by lenders, but for the pressure and harassment they subject their borrowers to.

His reply has been incorporated as a clarification to the governor in the ordinance re-submitted on Monday.

BJP brass may appoint state chief unanimously

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WITH the BJP central disciplinary committee issuing a show-cause notice to 'rebel' leader **Basanagouda Patil Yatnal**, the party high command has sent out a clear message that the party's Karnataka unit president will be appointed unanimously. It came as a setback to Yatnal and his team who had been insisting on an election for the top party post, while also setting off warning bells among those who owe allegiance to him.

The show-cause notice is being seen as a part of the process to clear the decks for incumbent state party president BY Vijayendra to continue in the post. Though the party has set no norm of holding elections to the post in other states, Yatnal and his followers had insisted on it. The party cracked the whip with the show-cause notice as it would be embarrassing to the party if Yatnal had contested the election or fielded his candidate against Vijayendra, political analysts said. "The high command had two options – either to stick to its guns to confirm Vijayendra as president, or go with Yatnal's line of argument for the election," remarked a BJP leader.

In fact, Yatnal and his team were in the national capital on Monday and held a round of meeting at the Karnataka Bhavan. They got together again for the house-warming ceremony of Union Minister of State for Railways V Somanna's official quarters. Former CM and Haveri MP Basavaraj Bommai, Kumar Bangararappa, Murugesh Nirani, Mahesh Kumatalli among others were present.

After the meeting, Yatnal, while talking to reporters, claimed that his team got a message from the high command through Somanna that the party will not decide on the party state president in a hurry. Hitting out at Vijayendra that he is hoping to continue in the post, Yatnal stated that his team is equally hopes that he would be removed as party president through an election.

But later, he said that he would abide by the decision of the party, whatever it may be. "We have reposed faith in Prime Minister Narendra Modi, party national president JP Nadda and Union Home Minister Amit Shah," he said.

BJP sends 2nd show-cause notice to Yatnal

The BJP central disciplinary committee has issued another show-cause notice to MLA Basanagouda Patil Yatnal for "breach of party discipline". The notice, issued by committee member-secretary Om Pathak, stated that they have taken note of Yatnal's "continuing tirade" against the party's state leadership and sought his reply within 72 hours.

BY Vijayendra in New Delhi to meet Shah

Karnataka BJP chief BY Vijayendra, who left for Delhi on Sunday evening, is likely to camp there for a couple of days to meet the party brass. He will return only after meeting Home Minister Amit Shah, who is busy with the Delhi post-election scenario and Manipur crisis.

Former min Sriramulu returns from Prayagraj

Former minister B Sriramulu, who had expected the party high command to give him an audience in New Delhi, returned home after taking a holy dip at Prayagraj. The brass has seriously considered the report by a committee headed, on the party's loss in the Sandur bypoll. The report has a mention of Sriramulu missing campaigning on the last five days before polling.

HOLY DIP

Devotees from across Karnataka visit Thriveni Sangam in T Narasipur as part of Kumba Mela on Monday | UDAY SHANKAR B

Kharge, Dr G plan Dalit Samavesha to counter Shivakumar's ambitions

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru

HOME Minister Dr G Parameshwara apparently played an envoy of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and met AICC president **Mallikarjun Kharge**, seeking the latter's consent to hold an SC/ST communities' 'samavesha' on Sunday. Kharge acceded as the convention would eventually help the party organisation to keep these communities in good books in the long run. Kharge suggested to Parameshwara to invite Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi to the convention.

Parameshwara shared Kharge's views with his cabinet colleagues -- PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi, Cooperation Minister KN Rajanna and Social Welfare Minister Dr H C Mahadevappa, who are all part of the Siddaramaiah coterie. They have decided to go ahead with the 'Dalit Samavesha', sources said.

Satish, who has already reached the national capital, told reporters that he has plans to meet high command leaders, including Rahul Gandhi's man friday and AICC general secretary (organisation) KC Venugopal. Rajanna also left for Delhi and soon, Parameshwara is likely to go separately with a mission to get the go-ahead for the samavesha, sources said.

This is being seen as the Siddaramaiah camp checkmating DCM and KPCC president DK Shivakumar, who is aspiring to become chief minister once Siddaramaiah steps down from the post after two-and-a-half years of his tenure. Their plan is to pitch for a Dalit chief minister, who is backed by Siddaramaiah, sources said.

In fact, a few days ago, Siddaramaiah had suggested to Parameshwara to hold a meeting of SC/ST MLAs to garner their support, but the party high command, especially AICC general secretary and Karnataka in charge Randeep Singh Surjewala did not give the go-ahead. Miffed by the high command's decision, SC/ST ministers are now going ahead with the SC/ST Samavesha to ensure the communities raise their voice for a Dalit CM.

SC reserves verdict on TN govt's plea against Guv

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY
@ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Monday, while reserving its verdict on the petitions filed by Tamil Nadu against Governor R N Ravi, questioned the governor on referring the bills "repassed" by the Assembly to the President. A bench of Justices J B Pardiwala and R Mahadevan also questioned the governor's "silence" on the reasons for withholding assent to the bills passed by the Legislative Assembly. "We are reserving the judgement. We will pass appropriate directions," said the two-judge bench after four days of extensive arguments in the case.

Earlier in the day, when the bench asked Attorney General (AG) R Venkataramani as to why the governor was silent for years and why did he not communicate with the government, the AG said the governor had not acted outside his jurisdiction by withholding assent and by referring the bills to the President after finding them repugnant (to central laws). The governor has four options: Assent to bill, withhold assent, reserve bill for Presidential assent, or send it back to the Assembly. In the present case, the governor sent them back to the Assembly with a declaration that he is withholding assent. He did not send the bills back for the re-consideration of the Assembly, the AG said.

On Monday, the top court framed several additional questions for adjudication of the disputes and sought assistance on interpretation of Article 200 of the Constitution, which deals with power of governor to give his assent to bills, withhold his assent and reserve them for consideration of the President. The bench also analysed Article 201, which deals with the power of the President when bills are reserved for his consideration by the governor, and Article 111, which deals with the power of the President to give assent to bills passed by the Parliament.

EXPRESS READ

Namami Gange is about budget allocations: Priyank Kharge

Bengaluru: IT-BT and RDPR Minister Priyank Kharge, sharing a video of the Ganga river, criticised the Union Government's Namami Gange initiative claiming that it is more about budget allocations and the Kumbh serves as an electoral tool. Kharge claimed that a study conducted a few years ago revealed that the polluted Ganga water is responsible for 12% of diseases in Uttar Pradesh. He pointed out that the Ganga basin spans 11 states, covering a quarter of India's landmass. Kharge said the river supports over 40% of the country's population, including two-thirds of India's poorest communities. "This is the reality of how we are treating Maa Ganga," he said.

Karnataka ministers slam Piyush Goyal for 'petty thinking' remark

Bengaluru: Karnataka ministers have hit out at Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal for terming the demand by some states, including Karnataka and Tamil Nadu, that they should get central funds in proportion to their contribution of taxes as "petty thinking" and "unfortunate". Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy told reporters on Monday that Goyal's views itself were petty thinking. "Goyal does not have common sense and hence he is making such statements," he said. Reddy said Karnataka pays over Rs 4.5 lakh crore as GST, and in return, the state gets 12 paise for every rupee paid. Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara said Goyal should be ashamed of his statement.

'Domestic defence exports crossed ₹21,000cr'

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RAJNATH Singh added that they need to work together to face current uncertainties and overcome new challenges. Driving home the need for greater collaboration, he said, "Peace cannot be achieved in a weak state of security. The banyan tree of peace can only stand on the roots of strength. We need to work together to be strong and to ensure a better world order."

He said that in the present environment of global uncertainty, India is witnessing peace and prosperity. "India has never attacked any country nor has it been involved in any great power rivalry. We have always been an advocate of peace and stability," he said.

He told defence ministers, senior officials and representatives from other countries that their cooperation with India is crucial for global peace, prosperity, and stability. He said domestic defence manufacturing and defence exports had crossed records of Rs 1.25 lakh crore and Rs 21,000 crore, respectively, and they are fully committed to see a significant increase in those numbers.

As many as 452 Indian exhibitors and 57 foreign exhibitors are participating in the show. For the first time, Aero India 2025 is witnessing the participation of two of the world's most advanced fifth-generation fighter aircraft - the Russian Su-57 and the American F-35 Lightning II.

Kumbh of research

"Maha Kumbh is the Kumbh of introspection, Aero India is the Kumbh of research. While Maha Kumbh is focusing on internal strength, Aero India will centre on external strength.," Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said.

Officials from various countries visit the Aero India 2025 at Yelahanka Air Force Station in Bengaluru | ALLEN EGENUSE J

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Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. & Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be enforced	Date of NPA & Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs. / as on
1	1) M/s. The Skylark Security Services, Prop. Mr. Ravichandra P, 2) Mr. Ravichandra P, Prop. of M/s. The Skylark Security Services, Also at: M/s. The Skylark Security Services, 3) Mrs. Shanthi	Loan Account No. 45348640001880 45349660001468 47519660000087 Loan Amount: Rs.2,00,00,000/- Rs.35,00,000/- Rs.20,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property: Scheduel A (Property 1):** All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Residential Property bearing No.532, 533, 534 and 535, Present BBMP Katha No.217/532, 217/533, 217/534, 217/535, Old V.P. Katha No.217/532, 217/533, 217/533, 217/534, 217/535,Carved Out of Converted (Vide Conversion Order bearing No.B.Dis.ALN.SR.(S)07/2003-04, dated: 29.04.2003) formed in Sy.No.217, situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk Measuring in all total 11,122.50 Square feet morefully, including with RCC roofed Ground, First, Second & Third Floor thereon, with civic amenities like Electricity and Sanitary Connections thereon and **Bounded on: East by:** Site No.536, **West by:** Road & Site No.532, **North by:** Private Property, **South by:** Road. **Scheduel B:** Was allocated to in the share of Party of the FIRST namely **Sri Ravichandra K,** herein. Ready to occupy build with RCC roofed Apartment namely "SKYLARK JLB RESIDENCY" in the said Schedule-A Property, Ground Floor Flat No.002, with SBA 1155 Sq.ft. along with UDS 259.87 Sq.ft., First Floor Flat No.106, with SBA 1020 Sq.ft. along with UDS 229.57 Sq.ft., Second Floor Flat No.202, with SBA 1155 Sq.ft. along with UDS 259.87 Sq.ft. **Scheduel C:** Was not allocated any flat to this partition Deed in the share of party of Second namely **M/s. Slylark Infra Structures.** **Scheduel A (Property 2):** All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Residential Property bearing No.532, 533, 534 and 535, Present BBMP Katha No.217/532, 217/533, 217/534, 217/535, Old V.P. Katha No.217/532, 217/533, 217/533, 217/534, 217/535, Carved Out of Converted (Vide Conversion Order bearing No.B.Dis.ALN.SR.(S)07/2003-04, dated: 29.04.2003) formed in Sy.No.217, situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk Measuring in all total 11,122.50 Square feet morefully, including with RCC roofed Ground, First, Second & Third Floor thereon, with civic amenities like Electricity and Sanitary Connections thereon and **Bounded on: East by:** Site No.536, **West by:** Road & Site No.532, **North by:** Private Property, **South by:** Road. **Scheduel B:** Was allocated to in the share of Party of the First namely **Sri Ravichandra K,** herein. Ready to occupy build with RCC roofed Apartment namely "SKYLARK JLB RESIDENCY" in the said Schedule-A Property, Ground Floor Flat No.001, with SBA 1225 Sq.ft. along with UDS 275.62 Sq.ft., Ground Floor Flat No.003, with SBA 1280 Sq.ft. along with UDS 288 Sq.ft., First Floor Flat No.107, with SBA 1235 Sq.ft. along with UDS 277.87 Sq.ft., Second Floor Flat No.201, with SBA 1225 Sq.ft. along with UDS 275.62 Sq.ft., Second Floor Flat No.203, with SBA 1280 Sq.ft. along with UDS 288 Sq.ft., Third Floor Flat No.307, with SBA 1235 Sq.ft. along with UDS 277.87 Sq.ft. **Scheduel C:** Was not allocated any flat to this partition Deed in the share of party of Second namely **M/s. Skylark Infra Structures.**	Date of NPA: 01-02-2025 Demand Notice Date: 10.02.2025	Rs.1,72,74,916.60 (Rupees One Crore Seventy Two Lakh Seventy Four Thousand Nine Hundred Sixteen and Sixty Paisa Only) due as on 06-02-2025
2	1) M/s. Priya Engineering Works, Prop. Mr. Manikandan G, 2) Mr. Manikandan G, Prop. of M/s. Priya Engineering Works, Also at: M/s. Priya Engineering Works, Prop. Mr. Manikandan G, 3) Mrs. Kasthuri G	Loan Account No. 45388950001934 45389670000631 Loan Amount: Rs.14,00,000/- Rs.1,89,211/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Eastern Portion of Municipal No.31/2, PID No.24-56-31/2, New Corporation Municipal No.31/2, Old No.22, situated at Kethamaranahalli Village Ramachandrapura, Brahmapura, 3rd Cross, Bangalore and **Bounded on the: On the East:** Property No.21, **On the West:** Remaining Portion of Same Property, **On the North:** Kaluve, **On the South:** Road. Measuring East to West on Northern side: 16-6 feet, on Southern side: 16 feet and North to South on Eastern side: 75 feet on Western side: 65 feet.	Date of NPA: 01-01-2025 Demand Notice Date: 10.02.2025	Rs.15,84,326.34 (Rupees Fifteen Lakh Eighty Four Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Six and Thirty Four Paisa Only) due as on 06-02-2025
3	1) M/s. V N Motors, Represented by it's Proprietor Mrs. Malathi Prabhu, 2) Mrs. Malathi Prabhu, Proprietor of M/s. V N Motors, Also at: M/s. V N Motors, 3) Mr. Karthik Prabhu, S/o. Mr. Prabhu, 4) Mr. Prabhu N	Loan Account No. 30198641947901 30199660000611 Loan Amount: Rs.30,00,000/- Rs.4,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Premises/ Site No.20, House List No.203, BBMP Khatha No.519, New No.519/20, sitauted at 1st Cross, Evergreen Street, B Narayanapura, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and together **Bounded on the: East by:** Site No.19, **West by:** Private Property, **North by:** Site No.13, **South by:** Road. Measuring East to West 40 Ft. and North to South (31+30)/2 Ft. in all totally measuring 1220 Sq.ft.	Date of NPA: 01-01-2025 Demand Notice Date: 10.02.2025	Rs.3,18,898.48 (Rupees Three Lakh Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Eight and Forty Eight Paisa Only) due as on 06-02-2025
4	1) Mr. Shashi Kumar M, 2) Mrs. Munirathnamma M	Loan Account No. 31889630000264 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of property bearing portion of House List No.188/144 and 144/1, situated at Babusapalya Gramathana Chelikere Dakhale, K.R.Puram, Bangalore Taluk, Now comes under BBMP limits, and **Bounded by the: East by:** Venkateshappa's House, **West by:** Sri K. Raju's Property, **North by:** Road, **South by:** K. Krishnappa's house. Measuring East to West: 20 Feet and North to South: 15 Feet, Total measuring 300 Sq.feet.	Date of NPA: 01.02.2025 Demand Notice Date: 10-02-2025	Rs.3,76,948.78 (Rupees Three Lakh Seventy Six Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Eight and Seventy Eight Paisa Only) due as on 06-02-2025
5	1) M/s. V P R Fabrications, Prop. Mr. Venkatesh G, 2) Mr. Venkatesh G, Prop. of M/s. V P R Fabrications, Also at: M/s. V P R Fabrications, 3) Mrs. Prema Venkatesan	Loan Account No. 45348640000927 45349660000541 45349660002600 Loan Amount: Rs.20,00,000/- Rs.2,56,320/- Rs.1,35,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of House List No. 123-3, situated at Marenahalli Palya, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and present BBMP New No.16, now called 19th Main Road, Marenahalli Grama, 2nd Phase, J P Nagar, Bangalore, New BBMP Ward No.57, (with Property ID No.57-337-16) now comes under the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore. **Measuring:** East to West 21 Feet, North to South 18 Feet, in all measuring 378 Square Feet. **Bounded as follows: East by:** Remaining Portion of same property, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Property of Laghumappa Nayak, **South by:** 4 Feet Passage.	Date of NPA: 01.02.2025 Demand Notice Date: 10-02-2025	Rs.16,24,887.09 (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Twenty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Seven and Nine Paisa Only) due as on 06-02-2025

Notice is therefore given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor & Mortgagor as mentioned in Column No.2, calling upon them to make payment of the aggregate amount as shown in column No.6, against all the respective Borrower/ Co-Borrower within **60 days** of Publication of this notice as the said amount is found payable in relation to the respective loan account as on the date shown in Column No. 6. It is made clear that if the aggregate amount together with future interest and other amounts which may become payable till the date of payment, is not paid, **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** shall be constrained to take appropriate action for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described in Column No.4. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** against the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors of the said financials under the law, you are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the secured asset without prior consent of Secured Creditor.

Date: 11.02.2025, Place: Bangalore — Sd/- Authorised Officer, For Jana Small Finance Bank Limited

EDITORIAL

"The values that East Asian culture upholds, such as the primacy of group interests over individual interests, support the total group effort necessary to develop rapidly"

Lee Kuan Yew

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— Ramnath Goenka

AI SUMMIT MUST DELIVER ON MORE EQUITABLE ACCESS

ARTIFICIAL intelligence today affects everything from business and personal technologies to how we relate to work, culture and knowledge. No wonder there is immense interest among policy makers about the third AI Action Summit in Paris co-chaired by Emmanuel Macron and Narendra Modi that has brought together leaders in technology, business, politics and academia from more than 100 countries. Unlike the earlier editions that focused on safety commitments, this gathering promises to be more about sharing AI's benefits with developing countries. That's why India must use its role as co-chair to highlight the Global South's concerns.

As each of the previous three industrial revolutions gathered pace, questions were raised about sharing the wealth they generated and the technologies that enabled them. We must ask such questions of the fourth industrial revolution, too, as the AI race increasingly reflects the current era's geopolitical chasm—between the West and China. It's in this context that Chinese company DeepSeek's cheaper model should be seen crashing the entry barriers of capital and resources raised by Western Big Tech.

A recent report—authored by experts from over 30 countries including India—informs several talking points at the ongoing summit. On AI's impact on jobs, the experts disagree only on the timing of the expected cull. The effect of AI-induced layoffs would be very different in the labour-starved advanced economies of the US and Europe than in populous countries like India and Nigeria, where social security is patchy at best. Even China, with a manufacturing-powered economy about five times the size of India's, can absorb more workers in sectors other than hi-tech ones. Ominously, the experts agree that AI can upset the current strategic balance by enabling new weapons and efficiently deploying older ones.

The AI race is the biggest disruption since the rise of the internet and mobile telephony. But unlike the late 1990s, access to this era's disruptive technology is far more restricted at present. We cannot expect companies like Amazon, Microsoft, Alphabet and Meta—who together plan to invest around $200 billion on AI this year—to be swayed by the Global South's imperatives. That is where political leaders come in. This summit could be seen later as a defining moment when we caught the bus to a more equitable future, or missed it.

BIG RELIEF FOR CAPTAIN ROHIT & INDIA IN TIME

THERE is no sweeter music in cricket than the sound of leather hitting the middle of timber. India skipper Rohit Sharma would have just kept hearing that sweet music during his knock against England in the second one-day international at Barabati Stadium on Sunday. After struggling to spend time in the middle, falling repeatedly to a combination of poor shots and good bowling, Rohit finally regained his touch. When he reached the century, his muted celebration reflected the emotional turmoil within. It was cathartic. With age not on his side, he needed this innings going into what could be one of his last major international events; the team needed it too. An ailing skipper is not good for the team.

From being a national hero last June after winning the T20 World Cup to dropping himself in the last Test against Australia, Rohit's fortunes unravelled quickly. India lost five Tests, including their first series loss at home in 12 years. The captain came under intense scrutiny for his tactics and he failed with the bat even at his Ranji Trophy appearance. At this point in his illustrious career, it is not about finding form to establish himself, but about earning respect. Things had been tough both on and off the field. On the pitch, Rohit's limbs were not moving as quickly as he would like. The old Rohit, who revelled during media interactions, lost his demeanour ahead of the first ODI in Nagpur. The pressure increased after the Nagpur failure. Indian cricket captaincy is indeed like Shakespeare's famous words: uneasy lies the head that wears the crown.

If Rohit joining the party is an opportunity to celebrate, the overall performance of Team India ahead of the Champions Trophy is a shot in the arm. The batting contingent flourished. Shubman Gill and Shreyas Iyer were among runs, too. What also augurs well is the bowling effort led by 36-year-old Ravindra Jadeja. Spinners Varun Chakravarthy and Axar Patel bowled well against England and will be crucial on the slow Dubai wickets. Though Mohammed Shami has been less than impressive on his return, youngsters like Harshit Rana have made an impact. With Jasprit Bumrah expected to join the team for the Champions Trophy, India will be among the favourites again.

QUICK TAKE

DON'T BLAME IT ON KUMBH

IT says something about our judicial system when lawyers blame their inability to attend court on the Kumbh. A number of hearings at the Allahabad High Court have been postponed recently as lawyers claimed they could not get around Prayagraj's many traffic diversions and jams. The Bar requested judges not to pass adverse orders in the absence of lawyers. Instead of blaming the fair, the high court must look at the systemic causes behind rising adjournments. Last week, the Supreme Court said that despite high pendency, the Allahabad High Court was working with 50 percent vacancies. Also, what stops the lawyers and judges from holding virtual hearings on the video-conferencing facilities provided?

Though the Act East policy has brought us closer, India and ASEAN countries still view each other as glasses half empty. There is need and scope for improvement in the ties

DECADE OF ACT EAST & THE NEED FOR CLOSER TIES

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SOURAV ROY

FROM ties that remained cool during the Cold War era, India's relations with the most important regional organisation in Southeast Asia, ASEAN, has come a long way.

ASEAN started as a regional organisation when five nations—Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand—established it in August 1967 at a meeting in Bangkok. Vietnam joined in 1995, Laos and Myanmar in 1997, Cambodia in 1999 and Brunei in 1984, making up the 10 that comprise ASEAN today.

India and ASEAN were not on the same side during the Cold War. India stuck to the principle of non-alignment and some ASEAN nations were allied to the US.

Tectonic geopolitical shifts like the disintegration of the Soviet Union created opportunities for the reassessment of India's foreign policy. The impressive economic growth of ASEAN nations, China's phenomenal rise as an economic power and technological advances that ushered in the digital era were strategic imperatives that became the driver of our policy changes.

Under P V Narasimha Rao as prime minister, India began its Look East policy in 1991, which was renamed Act East policy (AEP) by Narendra Modi in 2014. A special envoy to ASEAN based at Jakarta was appointed. In 1992, India became a sectoral partner. In 2018, the ASEAN-India commemorative summit was held in Delhi.

India and ASEAN still view each other as glasses half empty. Expectations are much higher than actual achievements. India has focussed much more on the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation, at the expense of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation, signalling that its AEP intended to expand eastwards and into the Indo-Pacific region. The free trade agreement with ASEAN became operational in 2010 and by 2018, ASEAN had become India's 4th largest trading partner.

Cultural and educational cooperation has also expanded. These include student exchanges, training for ASEAN diplomats, setting up of the ASEAN-India Network of Think-Tanks, and the ASEAN-India Eminent Persons Lecture Series.

Among the AEP plurilateral projects are the Mekong-Ganga Cooperation by six countries—India Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand, and Vietnam—for cooperation in tourism, culture, education, transport and communication, health, traditional medicine, agriculture, SMEs, water management, S & T, skill development and capacity building. Another project is the Kaladan project worth around $ 500 million that will connect Indian sea ports to Sittwe in Rakhine state and Mizoram via Paletwa in Chin using multimodal routes.

This project will enable goods to transit Myanmar to Sittwe port from India's Northeastern states, cutting down transportation costs. In 2024, India Ports Global Limited, an Indian PSU, won the contract for managing Sittwe port. This project has, however, faced considerable problems arising from the ethnic conflict in Myanmar.

Myanmar's civil war has stymied the connectivity project. The trilateral highway project connecting India-Myanmar-Thailand has also been adversely affected.

Recently, a meeting in Bangkok was held to address the civil war in Myanmar comprising the nation's foreign minister and counterparts from five neighbours, Bangladesh, China, India, Malaysia and Thailand. Myanmar's FM outlined plans to hold polls in 2025 despite the ongoing civil war.

ASEAN-India security ties have progressed as China started flexing its military muscle that cast a shadow over ASEAN. India's security ties with Vietnam and the Philippines have jumped manifold, with the Philippines acquiring the state-of-the-art Brahmos missiles from India.

India-Singapore joint military exercises have become a regular feature. India's approach has been to ramp up security cooperation with willing countries of the ASEAN apart from cooperation on counterterrorism, cybersecurity, and maritime cooperation. The Indian Navy has periodically deployed its ships in the SCS, making port calls in ASEAN countries. China's bullying tactics in the SCS have encouraged ASEAN countries to do some counter balancing, though its urge to remain neutral remains central to its thinking.

India's decision to stay out of the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) in spite of participating in negotiations was for a variety of reasons. The 15-member RCEP—Australia, Brunei, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, New Zealand, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam—is a blockbuster FTA whose member countries account for about 30 percent of the world's population and 30 percent of global GDP. India's decision was based on pragmatic reasons, mainly China's ability to exploit it for dumping even more cheap goods in the Indian market. This was seen as a setback to the AEP.

The future of India-ASEAN ties will depend on the demands of changing geopolitics. China's aggressive push with its Belt and Road Initiative has positioned it as the premier economic partner of ASEAN. Some countries like Cambodia and Laos have been more China-aligned while Indonesia, Vietnam and the Philippines have ongoing disputes with it over maritime claims in the SCS. China has actively pursued a policy of keeping the ASEAN divided on this issue and the code of conduct agreement in the SCS remains in limbo.

Under the AEP, India has sought to forge deeper and more comprehensive partnership with ASEAN to enhance cooperation. India's goals to attain a $5 trillion economy requires greater engagement with ASEAN. Connectivity projects have been supported by $1 billion in Lines of Credit by India. For ASEAN, India's growing economy provides opportunities and India's military power enables ASEAN to counterbalance China

The last year marked a decade of the AEP; India-ASEAN collaboration developed to a stage where further cooperation is inevitable but grave challenges remain. The civil war in Myanmar is a major concern. The political upheaval in Bangladesh and the propensity of the current regime in Dhaka to distance itself from India are challenges that will have to be overcome.

While India is one market, ASEAN countries have different border regulations with rather high non-tariff barriers. India has to play catch-up with ASEAN-China trade, which tops $700 billion. Moreover, India as a member of the Quad provides ASEAN a hedge against China. The new administration of Trump in the US and the anticipation of a rise in China-US trade competitions may give impetus to India-ASEAN ties to expand mutually beneficial cooperation.

(Views are personal)

WHAT THE BUDGET CAN'T DO FOR ENTERPRISING WOMEN

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THE Union budget for 2025-26 promises rural prosperity and resilience through greater participation of women in the workforce and a boost for their entrepreneurial opportunities. This is a timely intervention, particularly during a period when self-employment by rural women has been rising.

The workforce participation of women has increased from 22 percent in 2017-18 to 40.3 percent in 2023-24, says the Periodic Labour Force Survey. This increase is mostly attributed to a 15.9 percent rise in self-employment, particularly in rural areas where self-employment jumped from 57.6 percent in 2017-18 to 73.5 percent during 2023-24. 'Self-employment' is precarious and remains an integral part of the informal economy. However, the challenge is to extend social security and legislative cover to this large chunk of the population. The other challenges include lack of skills and training, domestic and care-giving responsibilities, barriers in mobility, lack of access to finance and societal norms.

A study conducted by the International Labour Organization in 2019, titled '*Small Matters: Global evidence on the contribution to employment by self-employed, micro enterprises and SMEs*', revealed that around two-thirds of total employment is provided by small enterprises or through self-employment. The share of self-employment to total employment is highest in South Asia, Africa and West Asia. But, the challenge lies with the quality of self-employment in countries like India. Though rural workforce for women is mostly driven by agriculture and self-employment, their location in sectors like manufacturing, services and construction requires special attention for targeted policy intervention.

The budget announcement opens up a plethora of opportunities for effective sectoral intervention. A World Bank study in 2024, titled '*Giving a boost to rural women entrepreneurs*', states that though women-owned enterprises in rural India provide employment to around 22-27 million people, they have several challenges in accessing formal credit that requires tailored policy interventions for growth.

The government has undertaken several initiatives to address these challenges through schemes like Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY), providing training through the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana, etc. The PMMY launched in 2015 is a flagship programme of the PM aimed at funding micro enterprises and small businesses. During 2023-24, ₹5.41 lakh crore was sanctioned to 6.68 crore loan accounts that provided financial support to women entrepreneurs. Under the National Rural Livelihoods Mission, approximately 9 crore women are connected with around 83 lakh self-help groups that are transforming the rural socio-economic landscape in several innovative ways.

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> Though the budget wants to improve rural women's participation in the workforce, their sustained involvement would require an enabling environment. It includes easier credit access for women-led enterprises, and for smaller units to create working women's hubs with hostels and care facilities for children and elders

Budget 2024-25 promotes first-time entrepreneurs with the announcement of launching a new scheme for 5 lakh women, scheduled castes and scheduled tribes by providing them term loans up to ₹2 crore during the next five years. An interesting aspect of the budget has been the thrust on promoting employment and entrepreneurship for women in labour-intensive sectors that can address the challenges associated with women's location in sectoral employment.

It promises greater opportunities for women as there has been an enhancement in budgetary allocation from ₹3.27 lakh crore towards welfare of women and girls in the previous year to ₹4.49 lakh crore. The gender allocation in the total budget increased from 6.8 percent during 2024-25 to 8.86 percent . With increasing self-employment amongst women, such initiatives have immense potential to promote women's entrepreneurship.

With the manufacturing sector and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) receiving special attention in the budget, women's employment in these sectors can be enhanced to a large extent. The boosting of the manufacturing sector, which happens to employ a considerable number of women, can be significant in improving the quality of women's employment within the rural employment scenario. The budget also includes a package covering financing, regulatory changes and technology support for MSMEs to help them grow.

Apart from these interventions, there is a need to address women's challenges associated with unpaid care work for their sustained participation in the workforce through promotion of care infrastructure in rural areas. The Ministry of Labour and Employment in January 2024 released an advisory for employers that recognised the need for creating 'working women hubs' to be set up by MSMEs in collaboration with each other to build working women hostels, creches and senior care facilities. The promotion of MSMEs in the budget can be utilised towards creating working women hubs. The budget has a plethora of opportunities for women workers through enhanced economic participation in the direction towards realisation of the goals of Viksit Bharat.

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Delhi responsibility

Ref: *Huge vote swing away shows AAP its place in Delhi* (Feb 10). Delhi voters have shown the door to AAP and its chieftains Arvind Kejriwal and Manish Sisodia. Meanwhile, the grand old party scored a duck for the third time in a row. Many factors have gone into the BJP's big win in the capital region and they must work honestly to clear the mess.

L Parashuram, Bengaluru

Biren's failure

Ref: *Manipur Chief Minister Biren Singh resigns hours after meeting Shah* (Feb 10). The dismissal of Manipur CM Biren Singh should have happened a year and a half ago, when the ethnic clash between the Meiteis and Kukis was at its peak. It is clear Biren Singh lost the support of his MLAs in the wake of a no-confidence motion against his government. It is prudent to impose president's rule in Manipur till normalcy is re-established.

K R Parvathy, Mysuru

Delayed resignation

Biren Singh's resignation should have happened long back, when he was not able to restore peace in the riot-torn state even after two years. Even now, he did not volunteer to resign, he was asked to. The BJP government is to be blamed for the poor handling of the Manipur administration.

D Sethuraman, Chennai

Floodlight glitch

Ref: *Floodlight glitch stops 2nd ODI for 35 minutes* (Feb 10). The fact that the floodlights turned off for 35 minutes during an international match has created a shameful situation for Odisha on the world cricket map. Immediate action should be taken against the guilty for this irregularity.

Nabnit Panigrahi, Rayagada

Bhishma's character

Ref: *The tallest Kuru elder from the Mahabharata* (Feb 10). The disrobing of Draupadi in full public view by Duryodhana is the most heinous of all crimes against a woman and Bhishma's inaction to stop it is, as the author puts it, "the biggest blot" on his character. However, the heinousness is extenuated by the gift he offered to the world in the form of the *Vishnu Sahasranamam*.

P Vinayagam, Chennai

Lasting gift

The assiduous chanting of the *Vishnu Sahasranam*, a lasting gift from Bhishma, will elevate us to a higher plane aesthetically, emotionally and spiritually. Trust in God and the *Vishnu Sahasranam* from a younger age are essential in our society.

R Pichumani, Kumbakonam

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Nirmala Sitharaman @nsitharaman
Led by PM, Pariksha Pe Charcha is a masterclass in handling challenges, fostering resilience, and embracing holistic growth... participation up by 25%

Pawan Khera @Pawankhera
Consequences of Centre's anti-farmer policies are coming to fore. Due to falling tomato prices in tomato-producing states, farmers are unable to recover the costs.

Chandra Shekhar Aazad @BhimArmyChief
Police brutality against Vicky Balmiki in Kanpur has once again proved that lives and dignity of Dalits are in danger. From whom should people expect justice?

DOWN IN DELHI, WILL AAP SURVIVE IN PUNJAB? HARPREET BAJWA TALKS TO CONG & AAP LEADERS TO FIND OUT

'Process of AAP disintegration in Punjab has already started'

SENIOR Congress leader and Leader of Opposition in the Punjab Assembly **Partap Singh Bajwa** claims that disintegration process of AAP has begun and it will soon be history. **Excepts:**

What is the impact of AAP's defeat in Delhi? Almost all senior leaders, including Arvind Kejriwal and Manish Sisodia, faced drubbing.
What the AAP promised and what it delivered are two entirely different matters. They promised corruption-free governance, but turned out to be morally corrupt. Kejriwal, after coming out of jail, said the people would decide whether he is honest or not. The people gave him a firm reply that he was corrupt.

Have you ever heard that the CM's official residence has been refurbished spending crores of rupees? I was a minister. The government does not give more than ₹5-7 lakh for refurbishing an official accommodation. Kejriwal was under the false impression that he would remain CM for life. In Punjab also, the people have observed their performance. They expressd a desire to end the VVIP culture. However, some 1,000 police personnel have been deployed for the security of CM Bhagwant Mann. At least 80 Punjab Police commandos were manning security of Kejriwal when he was Delhi CM. He had 'Z' security cover from MHA and the Punjab government. He used to drive a Wagon R, and now he uses a vehicle provided by the Punjab government.

Will AAP disintegrate in Punjab?
The process has already started in Delhi and will reach Punjab in the coming years.

Reports suggest Kejriwal may enter Rajya Sabha through Punjab asking one of its members to resign, or may request Mann to step down and become Punjab CM. Your take?
These are not rumours. They are 100% correct. Recently, Punjab AAP president and cabinet minister Aman Arora said only a Hindu face can become Punjab CM. Why did he make such a statement suddenly?

As a secular party, the Congress doesn't have any objection on CM from Hindu or Sikh or any other community. But the timing of Arora's statement raises suspicions. It seems he wanted to gauge the public's reaction, especially the Sikhs.

Speculatations are rife that AAP MLAs are in touch with Congress?
I am sure that whenever such a situation arises, AAP MLAs's first choice will be to join Congress. They know that they have no future in AAP.

Delhi election results were a referendum on Kejriwal's leadership. It is widely believed that Kejriwal runs the Punjab government...
It is 100% correct that the Punjab government effectively runs from Delhi. Vibhav Kumar, Kejriwal's close aide who was arrested in Swati Maliwal assault case, is the de facto CM of Punjab. He isrunning the government. There has not been a single cabinet meeting in the last four months, and the cabinet meeting called on Monday was postponed. Why Punjab MLAs were called to Delhi for meeting? Are Punjabis subservient to Kejriwal?

Why were Punjab AAP MLAs call for a meeting in Delhi?
The agenda is clear: They will demand that to save the party, Kejriwal should contest from the vacant Ludhiana (West) Assembly seat.

Verbatim

'No threat to Mann govt, Delhi meet to discuss party strategy'

AAP MP from Anadpur Sahib **Malvinder Singh Kang** counters Leader of Opposition in the Punjab Assembly and says the meeting of party MLAs in Delhi is intended to assess the current situation and formulate the party's future strategy. **Excerpts:**

What are the reasons for the AAP defeat in Delhi?
There are several reasons for our defeat. The party will thoroughly examine, introspect and get to the bottom of it. We worked extremely hard for the people of the national capital in the last 10 years. The BJP and the Congress had an electoral understanding. The official machinery was also misused in the polls.

Will the Delhi debacle spell trouble for Punjab government as some media houses have reported?
These speculations are unfounded. The government is functioning smoothly and will continue to do so. There is no threat to the Bhagwant Mann government, which has a huge majority.

There are rumours that the meeting of Punjab AAP MLAs, called in Delhi by party chief Arvind Kejriwal, is actually intended to discuss options for replacing Mann or exploring avenues for a Rajya Sabha entry through the state
Tomorrow's meeting in Delhi is focussed on organisational matters, especially to discuss and prepare the party's future course of action. Feedback from party leaders would be taken. Such meetings occur regularly in our party. Kejriwal, Mann and all senior leaders will sit together to brainstorm.

Senior Congress leader and LoP Partap Singh Bajwa has claimed that that more than 30 AAP MLAs are in touch with the grand old party. What do you think?
I would like to ask him whether all the Punjab Congress MLAs are in touch with him. If they are, where is Sandeep Jakhar? Why did Dr Raj Kumar Chabbewal leave the party? Bajwa's own brother, Fatehjang Bajwa, too left the Congress to join BJP. He could not stop him. Despite Congress leaders continuously leaving the party, Bajwa seems to be worried about AAP legislators. Bajwa, who is known for making baseless statements, is day-dreaming. These are all baseless without an iota of truth in them. Despite winning zero seats in Delhi, their leaders were celebrating in their office, dancing, and distributing sweets over BJP's victory.

Will AAP continue with the INDIA bloc, especially since you and the Congress fought elections seperately?
The AAP is very much part of the INDIA bloc at the moment. There are several allies who called for an introspection and evaluate the Congress leadership in the Opposition bloc

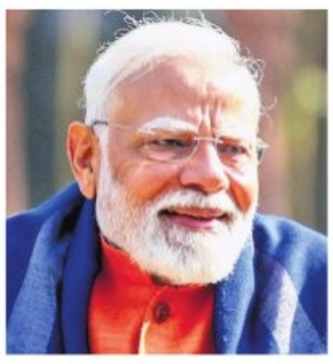
Do you see a leadership change in Punjab in the coming days?
It is prerogative of the party leadership. We follow a democratic process in the party where we discuss issues threadbare before taking a call.

Kejriwal may take over as Punjab CM?
It is a rumour and nothing else.

LoP Bajwa claimed that the AAP government in Punjab would fall before 2027 assembly elections?
That is not possible as the AAP has massive majority in the Punjab Assembly and the Congress stands no chance.

India, US likely to step up consular ties

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi



IN light of the challenges posed by illegal migration and delays in the US visa process, India and the US are set to step up their consular cooperation during PM Narendra Modi's visit to the U.S., sources familiar with the matter told this newspaper. Prime Minister will be in the US on February 12 and 13 after the attending the AI summit in France.

The current consular dialogue mechanism, which operates at the joint secretary level for last eleven years, is expected to undergo a significant expansion to accommodate a wider scope of responsibilities aimed at getting swift results, sources said. Among the key areas that will be prioritised are looking at ways to reduce delays in visa processing, promoting smoother and more efficient legal migration, accelerating the consular procedures involved in the rapid return of illegal migrants and fast tracking extradition requests.

"Both sides have been engaged on this conversation to understand each other's concerns better and come up with solutions as people to people contact and mobility is at the heart of India-US ties," said a source.

In 2024, the US issued over one million nonimmigrant visas, including a record number of visitor visas, reflecting high demand from Indians for travel to the US.

In four years, Indian visitors have increased fivefold, with over two million traveling to the U.S. in the first eleven months of 2024, a 26 percent rise from 2023. More than five million Indians currently hold nonimmigrant visas. But with the Trump administration cracking a major whip against the illegal immigrants, the discussions on these issues have become both immediate and tricky. After Trump returned to power, the first group of 104 illegal immigrants was deported last week, with another 94 set to be sent back at any time.

India has made it clear that it will take back any of its nationals overstaying abroad after verifying their nationality. However, the US has raised concerns about the slow consular process for nationality verification, which led U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement to label India as "non-cooperative"— a designation New Delhi strongly refutes.

According to the latest ICE figures, there are 24,974 Indian nationals currently detained by the agency on criminal charges and immigration law violations for deportation.

Though figures crossed, sources said India is keen that the US Department of State rolls out a U.S.-based renewal program for the high skilled H1B visa category this hat will allow many specialty occupation workers from India to renew their visas without leaving the United States. "During the last consular dialogue, we discussed the pilot program for U.S.-based H1B visa renewals for 20,000 individuals, and we expressed our hope to see it expand. We don't anticipate any significant changes to the H1B visa category," a source said.

Indian nationals received 72.3 percent of all H1B visas issued by the U.S. during the period from October 2022 to September 2023, the government informed the Rajya Sabha on Thursday, citing data from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

'Look forward to meeting my friend Trump'

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

"I look forward to meeting my friend, President Trump," said Prime Minister Narendra Modi, describing his upcoming visit to Washington as an opportunity to strengthen and expand the partnership, particularly in technology, trade, defense, energy, and supply chain resilience.

Modi has spoken with Trump twice over the phone since his landslide victory last November. He will hold his first official meeting with the US President within a month of Trump's inauguration as the 47th President of the United States.

"Although this will be our first meeting following his historic electoral victory and inauguration in January, I have a very warm recollection of working together in his first term in building a Comprehensive Global Strategic Partnership between India and the US," Modi said.

Sources said similar to that of the first meeting under the first Presidency in June 2017, the two leaders are expected to hold a one to one conversation before they meet for delegation level talks.

Amid fissures in INDIA bloc unity, Cong netas speak in different voices

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

THE demoralising defeat of the INDIA bloc parties – AAP and Congress — in the Delhi assembly elections has brought out the internal contradictions in the grand old party, with leaders appearing to be not on the same page on its alliance strategies.

While some Congress leaders defended the party's position saying that AAP was unwilling to forge an alliance in the assembly polls, another section differed with the view, while calling for introspection and coherent political strategy.

In a post on X, Congress MP Tariq Anwar said that the party needs to clarify its political strategy. "They have to decide whether they will do coalition politics or go it alone. Also, it has become necessary to make fundamental changes in the party's organisation," he wrote. Another leader, Rashid Alvi said that the grand-old party needs to "respect all parties in the INDIA bloc" if they want to defeat the BJP.

"This election has forced them to think that the BJP has won because of us. If we want to defeat the BJP, we must respect all parties in the INDIA alliance and strengthen the coalition" he said.

However, fending off criticism, Congress MP and whip in the Lok Sabha **Manickam Tagore** asserted that the INDIA bloc was formed for general elections 2024 and state-specific alliances were the way forward in the assembly polls.

"One thing is very clear - the INDIA alliance was created for the general elections 2024. In different states, different strategies were evolved in those polls also. The Aam Aadmi Party and Congress had an alliance in Delhi but not in Punjab," he said. "In assembly elections, Arvind Kejriwal announced on December 1 that they are fighting alone. We hope that our alliance partners will also understand that they are asking the wrong person, they should ask the question to the person who broke the alliance," Tagore added.

He asserted that the INDIA bloc was formed particularly for the general elections in 2024. "Its main idea was to channelise the anti-Modi, anti-BJP anti-RSS forces at one level, which has been done. After that, coordination in Parliament has been happening at the floor level," he said.

"The speech of the leader of the opposition Rahul Gandhi had talked about an INDIA bloc vision as an alternative vision, it was not just a vision of the Congress. So we are positive towards the INDIA bloc, but we know how one alliance partner's reaction can spoil it," he said. "State elections are going to be different. State elections are going to be fought on state-level alliances. In Parliament, we are coordinating and our LoP calls it an INDIA bloc vision," Tagore said.

On Samajwadi Party (SP) leader Ram Gopal Yadav's criticism and some sections calling the Congress arrogant, Tagore said, "We are humble and polite that is why they are speaking and we are keeping mum." Shiv Sena (UBT) leader Priyanka Chaturvedi said the INDIA bloc parties need to come together to decide the way forward to throw a challenge to the BJP, and fighting each other is not going to help.

"We need safeguards in our democracy, Constitution – that is why the INDIA alliance came together. In case we are going against that entire concept, ensuring that everyone gets defeated, and are busy defeating each other, it does not serve the purpose we came together for," Chaturvedi said.

Concerned over declining participation of MPs: Birla

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

LOK Sabha Speaker **Om Birla** on Monday flagged the declining participation of members in legislative proceedings and resulting political logjam. He also expressed concern over the decline in the number of sittings of legislative bodies and low productivity in legislatures.

Addressing the inaugural session of Orientation Programme for newly elected members of the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly and Maharashtra Legislative Council at the Parliament House Complex, Birla urged the legislators to engage with the House proceedings during sessions.

Stressing that planned disruptions in legislatures are against the spirit of the Constitution, Birla urged the legislators to raise issues using tools like Question Hour, without causing disruptions to the proceedings of the House. He also advised legislators to come prepared with facts for debates. Birla said the best legislator is the one who participates fully in House proceedings and engages in well-researched, logical discussions.

'Exams are not everything': PM's tip to schoolkids at Pariksha Pe Charcha

KAVITA-BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

FROM nutrition to mastering pressure, leadership lessons to going beyond marks, PM Narendra Modi on Monday shared some crucial tips with schoolchildren about how to succeed in life and not just exams during the eighth edition of his annual 'Pariksha Pe Charcha' broadcast.

In a clear departure from his town hall-style interaction with school children, parents, and teachers, the PM, this time, held a free-wheeling chat with 35 school students in a relaxed and informal style while weaving through different parts of Sunder Nursery, a 16th-century heritage park complex adjacent to the Humayun's Tomb, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Sharing valuable advice with the children, drawn from states and UTs across the country, Modi highlighted that knowledge and exams differ.

"Exams are not everything; knowledge and exams are not the same thing," he said. Encouraging students to "learn as much as possible", the PM said education is not solely about advancing to the next class but also about comprehensive personal growth.

In the interaction, which was live-streamed nationally and watched by students, teachers, and parents from different parts of the country, Modi also stressed time management.

"Everyone has 24 hours. Yet, some people accomplish a lot while others feel nothing is achieved," he said, emphasising the importance of focusing on challenging subjects rather than avoiding them.

Remarking that even if 30-40% of students fail in their 10th or 12th grades, life does not end, and it emphasised the importance of deciding whether to succeed in life or only in academics.

Plea on passive euthanasia for rabies patients deferred

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court would hear after two weeks the plea filed by the NGO, All Creatures Great and Small (ACGAS), seeking the right to passive euthanasia for rabies patients.

A two-judge bench of Justices B R Gavai and K Vinod Chandran adjourned the plea for two weeks on Monday. The NGO, ACGAS, had moved the SC in 2019 and prayed that a procedure be laid down for rabies patients to allow them or their guardians to opt for the assistance of physicians for assisted dying or passive euthanasia.

In 2020, while hearing the Public Interest Litigation (PIL), the top court issued a notice to the Centre and sought responses from the ministries of Health and Environment.

The NGO had moved the top court after a five-judge Constitution bench of the SC had on March 2018, in its verdict, held that the right to life includes the right to die and legalised passive euthanasia by allowing the creation of a 'living will'. The SC had said that legalised passive euthanasia could be provided to terminally ill patients or those in a persistent vegetative state (PVS) with no hope of recovering a dignified exit by refusing medical treatment or a life support system.

Senior lawyer Sonia Mathur said that rabies has a 100 per cent fatality rate and can be "more torturous and harrowing to succumb to than other forms of ailments".

'POISONOUS' DRINK

Three persons have died after consuming a drink, suspected to be poisonous, in Gujarat's Nadiad city, police said on Monday. Police have ruled out chances of spurious liquor consumption, after no trace of methanol was found in forensic examination.

2 KILLED | 21 INJURED, AS BUS RETURNING FROM MAHA KUMBH OVERTURNS

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	34	15	Mumbai	32	17
Bhopal	32	15	Panaji	33	22
Jaipur	29	13	Patna	26	13
Amritsar	23	08	Lucknow	29	11
Chennai	33	22	Port Blair	31	26
Kolkata	30	21	Imphal	26	06
Srinagar	14	04	Chandigarh	27	12

● Home Minister would either travel to Jammu or summon all 28 MLAs ● Patole submitted resignation after party's defeat

Shah to firm up strategy for J&K Budget session

During his proposed meeting with the J&K BJP legislators, Shah will discuss with them the strategy to be adopted during the Budget session of J&K Assembly from March 3

A source

Aggressive approach

Amit Shah may tell the party MLAs to follow aggressive approach and ensure that there was no violation of the Constitution. The session gains additional significance for the BJP because it is being held in Jammu.

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

HOME Minister Amit Shah would meet all 28 BJP legislators to formulate the party's aggressive strategy ahead of the budget session of Jammu and Kashmir Assembly scheduled from March 3 in Jammu.

Sources in the BJP said that Shah would either be travelling to Jammu or summon all the 28 BJP legislators from J&K to New Delhi. The home minister conveyed this during his meeting with senior J&K BJP leader and Leader of Opposition in J&K Assembly Sunil Sharma in New Delhi.

"During his proposed meeting with the J&K BJP legislators, the Home Minister will discuss with them the strategy to be adopted during the Budget session of J&K Assembly from March 3," he said.

It would be the first Budget session of J&K Assembly in over seven years and Chief Minister Omar Abdullah would be presenting the budget in the house.

Sources in BJP said since the budget session would be three weeks duration, the Home Minister may tell the party MLAs to follow aggressive approach and ensure that there was no violation of the Constitution during the session. The Budget session gains additional significance for the BJP because it is being held in Jammu, which is the stronghold of BJP. The BJP won all its 29 Assembly seats from Jammu region and one of the party sitting MLA Devender Singh passed away in November last year. Sources said Shah will direct the party MLAs to forcefully raise the issues concerning Jammu and foil any attempt by Kashmir-based MLAs to raise Article 370 issue.

In the first Assembly session of J&K UT Assembly in November in Srinagar, the NC government passed a resolution calling for restoration of special status to Jammu and Kashmir.

Sources said the BJP high command was not happy with the party MLAs approach during the first session as they boycotted the final day's proceedings of the first session allowing the NC and other members to raise Article 370 issue without any interference or intervention from any quarter.

Patole meets Rahul, Cong all set to go for Maha rejig

New and young faces

Sources within the Congress party have indicated that several new and younger candidates are being considered for the position of state party president.

Satej may become LoP

There is speculation that a surprising name could emerge at the last moment. There are also reports that Satej Patil is being considered for the LoP position in State Legislative Council.

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

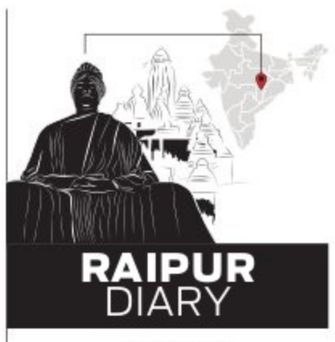
MAHARASHTRA Congress president Nana Patole met with Lok Sabha MP and Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi on Monday, sparking speculation about a major overhaul in the state Congress unit. This could involve promoting young and new faces to key positions. Patole met with Gandhi in Delhi to discuss significant changes within the Maharashtra unit of the party. Taking responsibility for the party's defeat in last year's assembly elections, Patole has submitted his resignation from the top position and has left the decision regarding his replacement up to the party.

This meeting is being seen as a farewell and a transition of leadership to new faces. Sources within the Congress party have indicated that several new and younger candidates are being considered for the position of state party president. Among the prominent names being mentioned are Congress MLA and former minister Amit Deshmukh, former minister and MLC Satej Patil, and former minister Nitin Raut.

Additionally, there is speculation that a surprising name could emerge at the last moment. There are also reports that Satej Patil is being considered for the Leader of the Opposition (LoP) position in the Maharashtra State Legislative Council, while former minister and Congress MLA Vijay Wadettiwar may be appointed as the leader of the Congress legislative party in the state assembly.

The party leadership is currently holding meetings with state Congress leaders, and a decision on these matters is expected to be made soon, according to a senior Congress leader. "Satej Patil is also tipped for LoP in Maharashtra state legislative council while former minister and Congress MLA Vijay Wadettiwar can be appointed as Congress legislative party leader at state assembly. The party leadership is having meeting the state Congress leaders and soon the decision over it will be taken," said senior Congress leader said.

He further added the party leadership before coming to final decision is taking caste calculations into consideration.



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Advancing towards digital governance

In a major step towards digital transformation and transparent governance, the Chhattisgarh government has announced the full-scale implementation of the E-office system across all government departments. The initiative is deemed to strengthen efficiency, accountability and transparency in administration and meet the state government's commitment to a zero-tolerance policy against corruption. So far, 16 department head offices have been integrated and the district-level rollout is progressing swiftly. The system will allow real-time tracking of files, enhanced decision-making and make the governance smarter.

Bipolar contest and minorities in urban polls

After the 2023 Assembly and 2024 Lok Sabha elections, Chhattisgarh is once again preparing for another election -- the urban body polls. This election is expected to be a contest primarily between the ruling BJP and the opposition Congress. The participation of minorities in the electoral process are not usually seen as encouraging despite their assumed role in playing unspecified determining, though small, in the fortunes of political parties. The Congress has given 7.38% of its tickets to Muslim candidates and the BJP's share for Muslim faces is barely 0.73%.

No licensed conductors, HC seeks response

The Chhattisgarh HC is hearing a PIL regarding thousands of registered passenger buses operating without licensed conductors, compromising safety. Of the 68,396 registered passenger buses, only a few have hired licensed conductors. This is against the provisions of the law and the safety of passengers. There are elderly citizens, children, women, ailing and other passengers whose safety and convenient journey remain essential. The role of license conductor has been described in the Motor Vehicle Act 1988 and Central Motor Vehicle Rule. It remains the responsibility of the state to ensure no passenger buses operate on the road without a licensed conductor.

Outrage over YouTuber's 'perverted' remarks, crass jokes; complaint lodged

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THE Mumbai police on Monday filed a complaint against YouTuber Ranveer Allahbadia, known for his BeerBiceps brand, over an objectionable comment on the 'India's Got Latent' show, which forced him to issue a public apology.

Ranveer Allahbadia recently appeared on Samay Raina's show 'India's Got Latent' along with other content creators like Ashish Chanchlani, Jaspreet Singh, and Apoorva Mukhija. On the show, he asked a female contestant, "Would you rather watch your parents have sex every day for the rest of your life or join in once and stop it forever?" Following the vulgar comment, two Mumbai lawyers, Ashish Rai and Pankaj Mishra, submitted a written complaint to the Mumbai police Monday morning claiming obscene comments were made against parents, women, and their body parts.

The police said they have started a probe against the popular podcaster. Dikshit Gedam, Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), Zone 9, Mumbai police, said, "An inquiry is going on (in the matter)." A police team also reached Khar's Habitat building, where the show's shoot was conducted.

Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis also slammed Ranveer saying anyone who crosses the limits of decency will face appropriate action. CM Fadnavis said, "I have been informed about this, though I have not watched it yet. I came to know that it was very vulgar, and this was wrong. Everyone has freedom of speech, but this freedom ends when we encroach upon others' freedom. Everyone has limits, if anyone crosses them, action will be taken."

After the public outrage, Allahbadia wrote on his X handle, "I shouldn't have said what I said on India's got latent. I'm sorry. He expressed regret over his comment, admitting that it was "not appropriate" and "not even funny."

40-km-long traffic jams Kumbh entry

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

Rush of devotees during the Maha Kumbh Mela in Prayagraj on Monday | PTI

DESPITE the completion of three Amrit Snans on Makar Sankranti, Mauni Amavasya, and Basant Panchami—when millions took a holy dip at the Sangam—the continuous influx of devotees is causing significant disruptions in Prayagraj and other destinations, including Ayodhya and Kashi, resulting in long hours of traffic jams.

Prayagraj is witnessing frenzied crowds of devotees jostling for the holy dip at the Sangam, setting records in congregations with each passing day.

For 27 days, the influx of devotees has breached an average of one crore footfall on the mela premises. The average footfall stands at 1.44 crore on a daily basis. Till Monday afternoon, over 44.50 crore people had already taken the holy dip at Triveni since January 13 -- the day of the inauguration of Mahakumbh.

The unprecedented rush of devotees from across India and abroad has resulted in massive traffic jams -- as long as 40 km -- not only in and around Prayagraj but also in adjoining states like Madhya Pradesh, where people spend 10-15 hours in vehicles stuck in traffic.

As per the official sources, during the weekend, a total of 14 lakh four-wheelers entered Prayagraj carrying the devotees. Even people heading to Prayagraj are taking 4-5 times more than the actual time to reach the district. It takes around 6-7 hours from Jabalpur in MP to reach Prayagraj. However, it took around 24 hours for people to cover that distance due to severe traffic jams.

Similarly, in normal circumstances, it takes around 2.5 hours to reach Prayagraj from Varanasi. However, in the present circumstances, that distance is covered in around nine hours.

In the wake of the heavy rush of devotees and massive traffic jams, the BJP national president and Union Health Minister JP Nadda has asked the UP and MP party workers to assist the administration in streamlining the traffic besides making adequate food and healthcare arrangements for the devotees reaching Mahakumbh. Moreover, the railway authorities of the region have decided to extend the single-direction movement plan at the railway stations in and around Prayagraj to ensure smooth and safe travel by the devotees.

As per Northern Central Railway PRO Amit Singh, the plan has been drawn considering the huge crowd of passengers arriving at Prayagraj daily. The measure aims to prevent congestion and streamline passenger movement.

The rush of devotees on Sunday forced the railway authorities to implement the emergency plan for Mauni Amavasya Amrit Snan at the Prayagraj junction. Due to the rush, the Sangam station has been closed from February 9-14.

Ex-Bollywood sensation quits Kinnar Akhara

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

FORMER Bollywood actress Mamta Kulkarni has quit the Kinnar Akhara, a subsidiary of Juna Akhara, as she relinquished her title of Mahamandaleshwar following controversy and internal conflicts.

There was a widespread outcry among the seers over her anointment as Mahamandaleshwar of Kinnar Akhara. Her resignation comes after criticism questioning her spiritual background and her past in the film industry.

The Kinnar Akhara had also expelled her and her mentor Dr Laxmi Narayan Tripathi, due to tensions within the religious group over the development. Kulkarni announced her resignation in a video, saying: "Some people have a problem with me holding this role, despite my 25 years of intense penance."

She expressed frustration that her past in Bollywood was being used against her. "I left the film industry 25 years ago and disappeared on my own. Who else stays away from makeup and glamour for so long?" she asked.

Diversity: In a 1st, scientific assessment of animal species at PTR in Jharkhand

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

IN a first, Rapid Faunal Survey is being conducted in Palamu Tiger Reserve (PTR) to identify the micro and small animals. According to PTR officials, it will help in assessing the diversity of animals present there and plan accordingly.

A rapid faunal survey is a scientific assessment of the animal species in a specific area. It uses a variety of techniques to collect data about the species, including observations, sampling, and data analysis.

GIS expert Manish Bakshi said that a joint team of PTR and Zoological Survey of India has been roped for to the job since August last year which is expected to be concluded by April this year. They will compile a joint report of the survey conducted in all the three seasons and submit it to the PTR official, he said.

"The Rapid Faunal Survey is being conducted by PTR in association with the Zoological Survey of India. This survey will be conducted in three phases in all three seasons. Survey for rainy and winter season has already been concluded while it will be started soon for summer season, which is expected to be concluded by April this year" said the GIS expert.

According to Bakshi, the purpose of the survey is to get all information about the types of small and special creatures present in this area apart from big animals.

"Though, the region is primarily known for tiger, elephant, leopard, deer, jackal, bear, bison, and wolf, but it is yet to be known that how many types of small animals are present here," said Manish Bakshi. Since, micro fauna is also an important part of the eco system, hence, their survey is being done on the basis of which a report will be prepared and handed over to the PTR officials, he added.

Besides the Rapid Faunal Survey, PTR in association with the district administration is also ensuring vaccination of nearly 2 lakh cattle living in more than 180 villages located adjacent to the reserve area. According to PTR officials, there is always a possibility that the cattle, freed by the villagers in the reserve area for grazing, carry diseases with them that may spread to the wild animals.

Meanwhile, presence of a tigress has been confirmed by Hyderabad based Centre for Cellular & Molecular Biology making a total count of big cats in PTR to six. Scat of the suspected tigress was sent to CCMP for examination which has confirmed the presence of the tigress in PTR prompting the officials to issue high alert in the reserve.

Stricter law to regulate online gaming, gambling

HARSHER REGULATIONS NEEDED

A new law aims to ensure that all, including celebrities who endorse such online activities, are brought under the legal framework. Since betting and lotteries are primarily luck-based and require no skill, the aim is to introduce harsher regulations. It is suspected that online betting and gambling are mostly duping gamers by manipulating results, and duped money is laundered, transferred in small amounts through payment gateways

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

THE Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) is exploring the need for a central law to regulate online gaming, gambling, betting, and lotteries, which have expanded rapidly in recent times, sources said on Monday.

A decision in this regard was taken at a recent meeting of the top officials of the MHA, where experts from the Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre were directed to prepare a report on various aspects of such online activities, sources who were part of the deliberations told this newspaper.

They added that officials from various law enforcement agencies and the Intelligence Bureau attended the meeting.

A source said, "During the meeting, it was decided that the I4C under the MHA will go into detail on the subject and prepare a report on various aspects of the proposed law aimed at regulating ever-expanding online activities relating to gaming, gambling, betting and lotteries."

It is to be noted here that the issue has been assigned to the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), which has framed Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code Rules, 2021, under the Information Technology Act, 2000.

Under the rules, intermediaries, including online gaming platforms, are obligated to observe due diligence, and if they fail, they lose their exemption from liability for third-party content, officials in the MHA said.

They, however, contended that, at present, many tech giants are under the scanner of different law enforcement agencies for cheating gullible Indians through various manipulations.

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A new law is being considered because it is suspected that online betting and gambling are mostly duping gamers by manipulating results, and duped money is laundered and transferred in small amounts through payment gateways.

The sources also said that sharing personal information in online chats and platforms exposes users to scams and the risk of hacking their phones and computer systems, adding that a stricter law is the need of the hour.

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Rajarajeshwari Nagar Branch, #126, 8th Main, BEML 3rd Stage, Near Big Bite Restaurant, Rajarajeshwari Nagar Branch, Bangalore-560098,
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[Rule - 8 (1)]

POSSESSION NOTICE

(For Immovable Property)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Bank of India, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under **Section 13 (12), read with rule 3** of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **demand notice dated 22-10-2024** calling upon the **Mrs. Manjula G M (Borrower) Ms Swetha S (Co-Borrower), Flat No. LIG-A 244,245,246, Building No.45, (block no 450), Kengeri Hobli, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560060** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 10,80,303.21/- plus interest (Rupees Ten Lakhs Eighty Thousand Three Hundred And Three And Twenty One Paise along with further interest at contractual interest thereon from date:10.10.2024 compounded with monthly rests and all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank till** repayment by within 60 (sixty) days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the full amount for standardizing the accounts, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under **sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this the 6th day of February of the year 2025.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Bank of India** for an amount of **Rs.10,80,303.21/-** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY:- All that piece and parcel of immovable property/ land in the layout formed by the Karnataka Housing Board, at Valagera Halli, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West: 30.60 mtrs., North to South: 30.80 mtrs., and having total area of 942..48 Sq. Meters, and bounded on the; **East:** Private Property **West:** Approach Path **North:** Building No. 43 & 44 and approach path **South:** Building No. 47

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY:- All the piece and parcel of the Residential Tenement bearing No.244-LIG-"A". in Ground Floor of Block No.45, consisting of 40 residential Tenements in the Multi-storeyed building constructed on the property described in Schedule-A-Property hereto (including one half portion in depth of the joints between the ceiling of the tenements and floors of the tenements above it and internal walls and external walls between such levels), now BBMP Kengeri Sub Zone, known as KHB Shirke, Municipal Khatha No.889/999/244 LIG A GF, and bounded on: **East by:** Pedestrian Path **West by:** Open space **North by**: North Western staircase of the bldg. **South by**: Passage connecting pedestrian path Containing Living Room Cum Kitchen, Bath Cum Toilet, approximately measuring 21.65 Sq.meters built area and joint undivided 3 in 40 interest/ownership in common space, passages, pipes, drains and staircase, vitrified.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY :- All the piece and parcel of the Residential Tenement bearing No.245-LIG-"A", in Ground Floor of Block No.45, consisting of 40 residential Tenements in the Multi-storeyed building constructed on the property described in Schedule-A-Property hereto (including one half portion in depth of the joints between the ceiling of the tenements and floors of the tenements above it and internal walls and external walls between such levels), now BBMP Kengeri Sub Zone, known as KHB Shirke, Municipal Khatha No.889/999/245 LIG A GF. and bounded on; **East by:** North Western Corridor of Bldg. **West by**: Approach Path for building No.43 **North by**: Open Space **South by**: Open Space **SCHEDULE-D PROPERTY :-** All the piece and parcel of the Residential Tenement bearing No.246-LIG-"A". in Ground Floor of Block No.45, consisting of 40 residential Tenements in the Multi-storeyed building constructed on the property described in Schedule-A-Property hereto (including one half portion in depth of the joints between the ceiling of the tenements and floors of the tenements above it and internal walls and external walls between such levels), now BBMP Kengeri Sub Zone, known as KHB Shirke, Municipal Khatha No.889/999/246 LIG A GF. and bounded on;**East by:**Pedestrian path **West by:** Open space **North by**: Approach path for Bldg No.43 **South by:**North Western staircase of the bldg. Containing Living Room Cum Kitchen, Bath Cum Toilet, approximately measuring 21.65 Sq. meters built area and joint undivided 3 in 40 interest/ownership in common space, passages, pipes, drains and staircase, vitrified.

Date : 06-02-2025 **Sd/-, Chief Manager & Authorized Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Bank Of India**

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Central Bank of India

CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA

Regional Office
at Second floor of Grand Majestic Mall, Gandhinagar, Bangalore

SHORT NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Ref No RO:BANG:BSD: 2024-25 : 224 **DATE: 10.02.2025**

The Central Bank of India invites tenders from eligible bidders for **"Proposed furnishing work of interiors of Kamalanagara Branch".** For a detailed Notice inviting Tenders, Visit the Web page- **https://www.centralbankofindia.co.in/en/active-tender** and/or on **https://centralbank.abcprocure.com/EPROC/, The deadline for submission of tenders is 19.02.2025 up to 3.00pm.**

Date : 10.02.2025 **Sd/- Regional Head, Regional Office**
Place : Bangalore **Central Bank of India**

ASHOKNAGAR CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.

Head Office: # 1380/B, 6th Cross, Ashoknagar, Banashankari 1st Stage, 2nd Block, Bangalore-560 050. Ph: 080-26506213, 26606365, 26600513, 26600514
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1. **Anu w/o Dinesh Shetty,** No.23, 2nd Cross,8th Main Road, Byrasandra, Jayanagar 3rd Block Bangalore- 560011
2. **Dinesh Shetty** S/o Basava Shetty, No.23, 2nd Cross,8th Main Road, Byrasandra, Jayanagar 3rd Block, Bangalore- 560011.

PRE SALES STATUTORY NOTICE OF 30 DAYS UNDER RULE 8(6) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES,2002 READ WITH SUB – SECTION (8) OF SECTION 13 SARFAESI ACT FOR E-AUCTION SALE OF SECURED ASSET.

We hereby intend to inform you that we had issued demand notice Dated **05/07/2024** U/s 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, whereby we raised a demand **Rs.72,78,544,/-(Rupees Seventy Two Lakhs Seventy Eight thousand Five hundred & Forty Four Only)** as on 05/07/2024 and further interest and other expenses thereon till the date of payment.

NOTICE is hereby given to you that, we after having taken possession of the premises on **25-09-2024** do hereby inform you that we shall sell the mortgaged / All that piece and parcel of the Immovable House Building Property bearing No.13/7 D part, PID No. 48-92-13/7-1, 6th Cross, New Kalasipalyam Layout, Bangalore, Measuring East to West Northern side 29'6" Feet and Southern side 31'0"feet and North to South Eastern side 20'0"feet and Western side 20'0" feet, totally 606 Sq.ft. And Bounded on East by: Common Passage, West by: Corporation Property, North by: Property no 13/8 belongs to M Srinivasalu Property, South by: Property no 13/7 (E), together with all civic amenities, all rights appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded premises by E- Auction after a period of Thirty (30) days from the date of this Notice. That in our capacity as a secured creditor, we are putting our efforts to sell the mortgaged property as per the provisions of SARFAESI Act in order to liquidate the contractual dues since you have failed to repay the loan Amount as on date. That in compliance of Rule 8 & 9 Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules,2002, we have fixed Reserve Price (RP) of the security/mortgaged property at **Reserve Price of Rs.1,30,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Thirty lakhs only).**

Please take notice that the secured asset mortgaged/charged to the Ashoknagar Co-Operative Bank Ltd., as stated in the subject **shall be sold by E-Auction "AS IS WHERE IS " "AS IS WHAT IS "a " WHATEVER THERE IS " and "NO RECOURSE" basis to be held on 13.03.2025** or thereafter on some other day through / https://bankauctions.in & www.foreclosureindia.com at **11.00 A.M. to 12-00 P.M.** For further details, login to our website https://ashoknagarbank.com or please visit our H.O. bank branch and meet the Authorized Officer.

In furtherance of this notice, you may approach us, within **Thirty days** from date of this Notice for payment of defaulted Loan amount including all cost, expenses, future penalties, incidental and legal charges as per the Loan Agreement and the property shall not be put up for sale under the provisions of SARFAESI Act,2002. **However, in case you do not revert within 30 days,** Ashoknagar Co-Operative Bank Ltd., being Secured Creditor shall proceed with the **E-Auction for the sale of the property under the provisions of SARFAESI Act 2002.**

This NOTICE is being given to you in compliance of Rule 8 sub-rule 6 and Rule 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 amended as on date.

No further notice shall be henceforth be given to you. A copy of this Notice has been kept in our branch for future records and references and same is also affixed at the conspicuous part of the mortgaged property.

Place: Bangalore **For Ashoknagar Co-operative Bank Ltd.**
Date: 07-02-2025 **Authorised Officer**

The Bangalore District Central Co-Op Bank Ltd.,

Office : #2, G.M.C.Bank Campus, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560018

POSSESSION NOTICE See Rule - 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Where as The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **The Bangalore District Central Co-Op Bank Ltd.,**under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 has issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on below mentioned dates.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **The Bangalore District Central Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Yashwanthpura Branch

(1) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Mrs. Gunasheela W/o Shankar, **Sureties: 1. Mr. Shankar** S/o Nanjundaiah **2. Mr. Nanjundaiah** S/o Late Ningegowda **All are residing at :** Mangipalya Village, Sankighatta Post, Thippasandra Hobli, Ramanagara District-562131.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 20,65,648/-(Rupees Twenty Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Six Hundred Forty Eight Only) as on **10/06/2024** and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 09.07.2024 Possession Notice Date: 06.02.2025

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel in respect of Residential Site No.1/1/210, Assessment No.1/1 & 2/2A, E-Swathu Katha No.150200200700220176, situated at Dasanapura within the limits of Dasanapura Panchayath, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru formed measuring East to West 38 feet and North to South 35 feet, in total 1330 sq. ft. Bounded on: East: 30 Feet Road, West: Site No.205, North: Site No.211, South: Site No.209.

Malleshwaram Branch,

(2) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Mrs. Ambika K N W/o Nagesh K R No.24, "Mahadeswara Nilaya", Sangolli Rayanna Road, BEML Layout, R R Nagara, Bangalore-560098. **Surety: Mr. Chandrakanth H S** S/o Shankare Gowda No.19, Huyalappanahalli, Maralavadi, Kanakapura, Ramanagara-562121.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 34,32,003/- (Rupees Thirty Four Lakhs Thirty Two Thousand Three Only) as on **09.12.2024** and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 18.03.2024 Possession Notice Date: 05.02.2025

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.24, Katha No.75/2/24, BBMP Katha No.543/75/2/24-581/536, carved out of Sy. No.75/2, situated at Halagevaderahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, within the limits of BBMP Bengaluru, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet, in total 1200 sq. ft. and bounded on: East : Road, West : Property No.20, North : Property No.23, South : Property No.25.

Kanakapura Branch

(3) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Mrs. Jayalakshmi W/o Late Shivakumar **Late Shivakumar** S/o Late Kempaiah **since deceased represented by his legal heir 1. Mrs. Jayalakshmi,** Doddalahalli Village, Uyyamballi Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District-562117, **2. Ms. Harshitha D S** D/o Late Shivakumar **3. Ms. Anitha D S** D/o Late Shivakumar **4. Mrs. Chandumani D S** D/o Late Shivakumar **Sl. No.2, 3 & 4 are residing at Ranganath Layout, Kanakapura Town, Ramanagara Town, Ramanagara District-562117 Surety: Mr. Ravi H K** S/o Kempegowda Yelagalli, Uyyamballi Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District-562117.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.27,76,926/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Seventy Six Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Six Only) as on **18/06/2024** and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 15.07.2024 Possession Notice Date: 05.02.2025

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel in respect of Kanakapura Nagarasabha Katha property PID No.25-505-74A, Assessment No.6867/A1/6313/A1, Ward No.4, measuring East to West 18.288037 meters and North to South 8.717297 meters, in total 158.864130 sq. Mts. situated at Kuvempu Nagar, Kanakapura Town and Taluk, Ramanagara District and bounded on: East: Municipal Road, West: Vacant Site of Jayaramu, North: Property of Kempegowda, South: Property of Shiva Kumar.

(4) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Late Shivakumar S/o Late Kempaiah **since deceased represented by his legal heir 1. Mrs. Jayalakshmi** W/o Late Shivakumar, **2. Mrs. Jayalakshmi** W/o Late Shivakumar Doddalahalli Village, Uyyamballi Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District-562117 **3. Ms. Harshitha D S** D/o Late Shivakumar **4. Ms. Anitha D S** D/o Late Shivakumar **5. Mrs. Chandumani D S** D/o Late Shivakumar **Sl. No.3, 4 & 5 are residing at** Ranganath Layout, Kanakapura Town, Ramanagara Town, Ramanagara District-562117, **Surety: Mr. Ravi H K** S/o Kempegowda Yelagalli, Uyyamballi Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District-562117.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 55,72,949/- (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Seventy Two Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Nine Only) as on **18/06/2024** and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 15.07.2024 Possession Notice Date: 05.02.2025

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel in respect of Kanakapura Nagarasabha Katha property PID No.25-505-74A, Assessment No.6867/A/6313/A, Ward No.4, measuring East to West 18.288/037 meters and North to South 8.717297 meters, in total 159.421548 sq. Mts. situated at Kuvempu Nagar, Kanakapura Town and Taluk, Ramanagara District and bounded on: East: Municipal Road , West: Vacant Site of Jayaramu, North: Property of Jayalakshmi, South: Property of Usha.

Channapatna Branch

(5) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Mr. C P Nagesh S/o Late C Puttaswamy **2. Mr. C P Suresh** S/o Late C Puttaswamy **3. Mr. C P Ravindra** S/o Late Puttaswamy **all are residing at** Channakegowdanadoddi, Koodaluru Post, Channapatana Taluk, Ramanagara District-562160 **Surety: Mr. T P Puttasidegowda** S/o Late Puttaswaygowda Thittamarana Halli, Mylanayakanahalli Post, Kasaba Hobli, Channapatana Taluk, Ramanagara District-562160.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.20,09,743/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Three Only) as on **16/10/2024** and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 12.11.2024 Possession Notice Date: 05.02.2025

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel the Channapatana Nagarashaba property bearing Katha No.2, Door No.1, Ward No.14, measuring 80X60 in total 4800 sq. ft. (Vacant Site), situated at in front of Channapatana Railway Station, Channapatana Town and Taluk, Ramanagara District and bounded on: East: Remaining Property of the Applicants, West: Property belongs to Narayana, North: Road, South: Railway Road.

(6) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Mrs. Lilliyamma W/o Late Natesh **2.Mr. Wilson** S/o Late Natesh, **both are residing at** Anandapura, Sathanuru Main Road, Channapatana Town, Ramanagara District-562160. **Surety: Mr. Shivananda** S/o Rajegowda Mahadeshwara Nagara, Channapatana, Ramanagara-571501.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.17,69,320/-(Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Only) as on **16/10/2024** and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 12.11.2024 Possession Notice Date: 05.02.2025

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel the immovable property bearing Old Katha No.27/127/330, Assessment No.2095, PID No.29-1-11-32A, East to West 36 feet, North to South 46 feet, situated at Ward No.29, Anandapura, Channapatana Town, Ramanagara District and bounded on: East: Sathanuru Road, West: House of Shetu, North: House of Sharada, South: Anandapura 2nd Cross.

(7) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Mr. B P Muddukrishnegowda S/o Late Puttaswamygowda No.235-A-2, New Extension, Yelekeri, Channapatana Town, Ramanagara District-562160 **Surety: Mr. Devaraju C M** S/o Marillingegowda Chikkandadoddi Village, Abburu Post, Kasaba Hobli, Channapatana Taluk, Ramanagara District-562160.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.35,75,312/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Three Hundred Twelve Only) as on **07/10/2024** and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 12.11.2024 Possession Notice Date: 05.02.2025

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel the immovable property bearing TMC Katha No.6361, Door No.2961/48/1A4, carved out of Survey No.48/1A1, duly converted for residential purpose Vide Conversion Order Date 31.01.2015 passed in Order No.ALN(C)/CR 40/2014-15 by the Dy. Commissioner, Ramanagara District, situated at Gendemadu Village, Kasaba Hobli, Channapatana Taluk, Ramanagara District, measuring East to West 60 feet, North to South 60 feet. East: Land belongs to Thandavachar, West: Road, North: Road, South: Conservancy Galli.

(8) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Mr. Raveesh K P S/o Late Puttaswamygowda Ujjanahalli Village, Virupakshipura Hobli, Channapatana Taluk, Ramanagara District-562160 **Surety: Mr. Lokesh B P** S/o Puttaswamygowda B V Halli Grama and Post, Virupakshipura Hobli, Channapatana Taluk, Ramanagara District-562160.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.16,33,777/- (Rupees Sixteen Lakhs Thirty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Seven Only) as on **16/10/2024** and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 12.11.2024 Possession Notice Date: 05.02.2025

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel in respect of Channapatana Municipal Katha PID No.8-3-550-56A, Municipal Katha No.6133, Door No.2675, No.56A, 5th Main Road, Block, 3 (2nd Cross), Ward No.8, Manjunatha Nagara, Channapatana Town, Measuring East to West 12.19 meters and North to South 9.14 meters, situated at No.56A, 5th Main Road, Block 3 (2nd Cross) Ward No.8, Manjunath Nagara, Channapatana Town, Ramanagara District and bounded on: East: Road, West: House of Devram/Pokram, North: Property of V B Suresh, South: Property of Ramabhadraiah.

(9) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Mr. Shashikumar K S/o M Krishnappa No.1710, 14th Cross, Chikkegowdara Road, Mangalavarapete, Ward No.2, Channapatana Town and Taluk, Ramanagara District-562160 **Surety: Mr. C P Nagendra** S/o Late Puttaiah T Chikkamalluru Village and Post Ward No.1, Channapatana Taluk, Ramanagara District-562160.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.38,32,548/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakhs Thirty Two Thousand Five Hundred Forty Eight Only) as on **16/10/2024** and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 12.11.2024 Possession Notice Date: 05.02.2025

Description of the Immovable Property: PROPERTY No.1: All that piece and parcel in respect of Channapattana Nagara Sabha Property No. 2-1-6-112A (Old No.635/1 and 635/14), measuring East to West 12.19 Meters and North to South 25.94+27.44/2 Meters in total 325.28 sq. meters with built up area 37.64 Sq. meters, situated at 112A, B M Road, West Block (next to CPT Daba), Ward No.2, Assessment No.5521, Channapattana Town, Ramanagara District and bounded on: East: Kalyani, West: 2-1-6-112B, North: Property belongs to K Shashikumar, South: B M Road.

PROPERTY No.2: All that piece and parcel in respect of Channapattana Property No. 2-1-6-112B Ward No.2 (Old No.635/2 and 635/13), measuring 12.19X27.44+28.29/2 in total 343.86 sq. Meters, with built up area 43.96 meters, situated at 112B, B M Road, West Block (next to CPT Daba), Assessment No.5520, Channapattana Town, Ramanagara District and bounded on: East: 2-1-6-112A, West: 2-1-6-114, North: Property belongs to K Shashikumar, South: B M Road.

Date : 06.02.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
The Bangalore District Central Co-Op Bank Ltd.

Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-op Bank Ltd.,

Head Office : B.H. Road, Tumkur-572103, Karnataka,
Phone : 0816-2257636 / 4021102-103, Fax : 0816-2255905,
Email : tgmc.ho@tgmcbank.com, Website: www.tgmcbank.com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002.

Whereas, borrower **(1) Sri Nagaraj D M** S/o Late M Muniswamappa, Residing At: No.14/3, "Nandagokula", 8th Cross, Devanarapalya, Gokula Extension, Bangalore- 560054. **(2) Personal Guarantee of Smt. Geetha R** W/o Rama Raju, # 885, 3rd Main Road, Diwanarapalya, Yeshwanthpura, Bangalur-24., having failed to repay the debt in respect of borrowing from **TUMKUR GRAIN MERCHANTS CO-OP BANK LTD., R T Nagar Branch, Bangalore.** The total amount due and payable by them jointly and severally as per the agreed terms and conditions is **Rs.1,40,07,938/-** (Rupees One Crore Forty Lakhs Seven Thousand Nine Hundred And Thirty Eight Only) as on **29.07.2019,** along with interest at the applicable rate and costs thereon.

Whereas the Bank has issued notice under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 and in pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (4) of the Act, the Authorized Officer has taken possession of the mortgaged property including those more fully described hereunder on, and the Bank has decided to sell the below mentioned property under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act read with the relevant rules of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Description of Property	Reserve Price (in Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (in Rs.)	Date & Time of Auction
All the piece and parcel of immovable property bearing BBMP Khatha New No 22 and its PID No: 4-103- 22 situated at H M T Road, Gokula 1st stage, 2nd Phase, Bangalore, Ward No 4, Mathikere, measuring East to West 50.6 feet and North to South 38 feet total measuring 1922 sq feet and building thereon and bounded by: East By : HMT Main Road, West by : Propertybelongs to D M Balakrishna No.416, North By : Property belongs to M Narayanaswamappa, South By : Property belongs to Krishnamurthy B M	**Rs. 2,60,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Sixty lakh only)**	**Rs. 26,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Only)**	**15.03.2025 From 11.05 AM to 11.25 AM**

This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule 8 / Sub Rule (1) of Rule 9 of Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors.

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in **https://www.auctionbazaar.com/** any further clarification contact **Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-Op Bank Ltd., 2nd Floor, 2nd Cross, ESI Road, 4th Block, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560010 (Mob: 9880882881, 9449027476).**

The E-auction will be conducted through portal **https://www.auctionbazaar.com/ on 15.03.2025 from 11.05 PM to 11.25 PM** with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at https://www.auctionbazaar.com/ and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction **(tentatively on 14.03.2025)** from **M/s ARCA Emart Pvt. Ltd. (Auction Bazaar),** TGMC Ltd., 2nd Floor, 2nd Cross, ESI Road, 4th Block, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560010, **Contact No. : 7799728999, 8370969696, E-mail: disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com**

List of Encumbrance known to secured creditor.

Sl No	Sale Date	Particulars	Executed by	Infavour of	Document No
1	15-10-2013	DTD	D M Nagararaju	TGMC Bank	RJN-1-03893-2013-14
2	21-10-2013	Sale Agreement	D M Nagararaju	Chandrashekar R	YPR-1-03628-2013-14
3	21-09-2016	Gift Deed	D M Nagararaju	M Anusuya	YPR-1-03683-2016-17
4	13-03-2017	DTD	M Anusuya	UCO Bank	YPR-1-7529-2016-17
5	13-10-2020	Sale Agreement	M Anusuya	Dr. B G Murulidhar	VJN-1-03647-2020-21

Date : 10.02.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **TUMKUR GRAIN MERCHANTS CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,**

Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd.

Corporate Office : Unit No.802, Natraj Rustomjee, Western Express Highway and M.V.Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai- 400069.
Malleswaram Branch : No.16/12 , Nagarathna Nilaya, First Floor, Opp Dr.Rajkumar Samadhi, 1st A Cross,2nd Main, Nandini Layout. 2nd Block, Outer Ring Road, Bangalore-560096.

E- AUCTION – SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of immovable Properties under the Securitizationand Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged,possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Malleswaram Branch** of Aadhar Housing Finance Limited will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is"** with no known encumbrances Particulars of which are given below:-

Sl No.	Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of the Immovable property	Reserve Price (RP)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (10% of RP)	Nature of possession
1.	Loan Code No : 18910000206 Malleswaram Branch Devi M (Borrower) Munikumara V (1st Co Borrower) Ganesh M (2nd Co Borrower)	10-06-2024 ₹ 25,89,802.00	Flat bearing No.307,constructed in converted property bearing sy no.11/3 consiting 0.08 guntas and E katha No.150200203500121 1535, building by name Kanaka mahalakshmi homes measuring super built up area of 718 sft with Undivided share in the land is 261 sft including all common amenities like Passage,Staircase,Lift, Car parking.Bounded on **East by :** Flat No.308 , **West by :** Flat No.306, **North by :** Passage and **South by :**Private property .	₹ 20,67,840.00 (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Only)	₹ 2,06,784.00 (Rupees Two Lakh Six Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Four Only)	Physical

1. Last Date of Submission of DD of Earnest Money Deposit along with KYC, Tender Form and accepted Terms and conditions (Tender Documents) is **26.02.2025within 5:00 PM** at the Branch Office address mentioned herein above or uploaded on **https://bankeauctions.com**. Tenders documents received beyond last date will be considered as invalid tender and shall accordingly be rejected. No interest shall be paid on the EMD.
2. Date of Opening of the Bid/Offer (Auction Date) for Property is **27.02.2025 on https://bankeauctions.com at 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM.**
3. AHFL is not responsible for any liabilities whatsoever pending upon the property as mentioned above. The Property shall be auctioned on **'As Is Where Is Basis', 'As Is What Is Basis' and 'Whatever Is There Is Basis'.**
4. The Demand Draft Should be made in favorof 'Aadhar Housing Finance Limited' Only.
5. Auction/bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website **https://bankeauctions.com**. Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.
6. The intending bidders should register their names at portal M/s C 1 INDIA PVT LTD through the link **https: //bankeauctions. com/registration/ signup,** and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider M/s C 1 INDIA PVT LTD through the website **https://bankeauctions.com**
7. For further details contact Authorised Officer of Aadhar Housing Finance Limited, **Manjunatha K R, Branch (Contact No. 9480074594)** OR the service provider M/s C 1 INDIA PVT LTD, **Mr. Prabhakaran (Contact No. +91 7418281709), E-mail:tn@c1india.com & support@ bankeauctions.com, Mobile No:+917291981124 /25 /26.** As on date, there is no order restraining and/or court injunction AHFL/the authorized Officer of AHFL from selling, alienating and/or disposing of the above immovable properties/secured assets.
8. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Aadhar Housing Finance Limited (AHFL), secured creditor's website i.e. www.aadharhousing.com.
9. The Bid incremental amount for auction is **Rs.10,000/-.**

Place : Malleswaram **Authorised Officer**
Date : 11.02.2025 **Aadhar Housing Finance Limited**

HDFC BANK LIMITED

Regd. Office: HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai - 400013
Branch: #51, HDFC House, Kasturba Road, Bangalore 560 001
Tel:-080-41183000 CIN L65920MH1994PLC080618 Website: www.hdfcbank.com

E- AUCTION SALE NOTICE (Sale through e-bidding only)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

The Authorised Officer of **HDFC Bank Limited** (erstwhile HDFC Limited having amalgamated with HDFC Bank Limited by virtue of a Scheme of Amalgamation approved by Hon'ble NCLT-Mumbai vide order dated 17th March 2023) (HDFC) issues E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) indicated in Column (A) that the below described immovable property(ties) described in Column (C) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive / physical possession of which has been taken as described in column (D) by the Authorised Officer of **HDFC Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** as per the details mentioned below:

Notice is hereby given to Borrower / Mortgagor(s) / legal heirs, legal representatives (whether known or unknown), executor(s), administrator(s), successor(s) and assign(s) of the respective Borrower(s) / Mortgagor(s)(since deceased), as the case may be, indicated in **Column (A) under Rule 8(6)** of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Secured Creditor's **website i.e. www.hdfcbank.com**

Sl No	(A) Name/s of Borrower(s)/ Mortgager(s)/ Guarantor(s)/	(B) Outstanding dues to be recovered (Secured Debt) (Rs.)*	(C) Description of the Immovable Property / Secured Asset (1 Sq. mtr. is equivalent to 10.76 Sq.ft)	(D&E) Date of Auction and Time ---------- Type of Possession	(F&G) Reserve Price (Rs.) ---------- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs)
1	Mr. Gupta Naresh Kumar (Borrower)	Loan A/c Nos. (1) 686526161 Rs.93,13,748/- (2) 687348887 Rs. 2,21,950/- Total Amount Rs. 95,35,698/- (Rupees Ninety Five Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Eight Only) as on 30.04.2024	**Schedule A :** All that piece and parcel of the Property, converted land vide orders of conversion bearing Nos. (a) B.Dis. ALN (A)/SR/ 366/2004/2005 Dated. 28/01/2005, (b) B.Dis. ALN (A)/SR/365/2004-05 dated. 28/01/2005 and (c) B.Dis. ALN (A)/ (K & A) SR. 184/2005-06, bearing **Sy. No. 6/1** measuring extent of **1 Acre 11 Guntas** in the converted land portion of P. Krishnappa, the LAND OWNER No. 1, an extent of 1 Acre 4 ½ Guntas in the converted land portion of P. Lakshmana, the LAND OWNER No. 4 and an extent of 1 Acre 3 ½ Guntas in the converted land portion of P. Ananda Murthy, the LAND OWNER No. 7 respectively and in all 3 Acres 19 Guntas which is conjoint together situated at Kammasandra Village, Athibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and **bounded on the: East by :** Govt. Halla, **West by :** Ananthanagar Layout, **North by :** Ananthanagar Layout & remaining portion of Sy. No. 6/1 belonging to Lakshmana, **South by :** Remaining portion of Sy. No. 6/1 and 60' Road. **Schedule B :** A Three Bedrooms Flat / Apartment bearing **Flat No. D-002,** on the **Ground Floor of D-Block** of the building known as **"AAKRUTI AMITY"** Constructed in the Schedule-A Property with a super built up area of **1520 square feet** with a terrace area of **310 sq.ft** adjacent to the flat (which is inclusive of proportionate share in balconies, common amenities, common areas attributable thereto and limited access to terrace area i.e., from the lift room to the water tank for the purpose of repairs), with RCC Roofing, Vitrified Tile Flooring, Aluminium

TRUMP SAYS HIS OFFER FOR CANADA TO BECOME 51ST US STATE IS FOR REAL

WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Donald Trump said he is serious about wanting Canada to become the 51st state in an interview that aired Sunday during the Super Bowl preshow.

"Yeah it is," Trump told *Fox News Channel*'s Bret Baier when asked whether his talk of annexing Canada is "a real thing" — as Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau recently warned.

"I think Canada would be much better off being the 51st state because we lose $200 billion a year with Canada. And I'm not going to let that happen," he said. "Why are we paying $200 billion a year, essentially a subsidy to Canada?"

The US is not subsidising Canada. The US buys products from the natural resource-rich nation, including commodities such as oil. While the trade gap in goods has ballooned in recent years to $72 billion in 2023, the deficit largely reflects America's imports of Canadian energy.

Trump has repeatedly suggested that Canada would be better off if it agreed to become the 51st US state — a prospect that is deeply unpopular among Canadians.

President Donald Trump holds up a signed proclamation declaring Feb 9 Gulf of America Day, after a recent executive order by him to rename the Gulf of Mexico, on aboard Air Force One on Sunday on his way to the Super Bowl in New Orleans. Interior Secretary Doug Burgum holds a map of the renamed gulf | AP

Trudeau said on Friday during a closed-door session with business and labour leaders that Trump's talk of making Canada the 51st US state was "a real thing" and tied to desire for access to the country's natural resources.

"Mr Trump has it in mind that the easiest way to do it is absorbing our country and it is a real thing. In my conversations with him on ...," Trudeau said, according to *CBC*, Canada's public broadcaster. "They're very aware of our resources of what we have, and they very much want to be able to benefit from those."

Speaking to reporters aboard Air Force One on Sunday as he traveled to the Super Bowl game in New Orleans, Trump continued to threaten a country that has long been one of the US's closest allies. He claimed that Canada is "not viable as a country" without US trade, and warned that the founding NATO member can no longer depend on the US for military protection.

"You know, they don't pay very much for military. And the reason they don't pay much is they assume that we're going to protect them," he said. "That's not an assumption they can make because — why are we protecting another country?"

In the *Fox* interview, Trump also said that he has not seen enough action from Canada and Mexico to stave off the tariffs.

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தமிழ்நாடு மாநில வாணிபக் கழகம் விமிடெட்
முதுநிலை மண்டல மேலாளர் அலுவலகம், சென்னை மண்டலம்
B4, 5 –வது தெரு, 3–வது தளம், அம்பத்தூர் தொழிற்பேட்டை, அம்பத்தூர் சென்னை 600 058
இணையவழி ஒப்பந்தப்புள்ளி அறிவிப்பு

நா.க.எண். அ&ம/34/2025 நாள்: 11.02.2025

தமிழ்நாடு மாநில வாணிபக் கழகம் திருச்சி மண்டலத்திற்குட்பட்ட திருச்சி மாவட்டம் மற்றும் சேலம் மண்டலத்திற்குட்பட்ட திருவண்ணாமலை மாவட்டங்களில் அமைந்துள்ள மதுபானக் கிடங்குகளிலிருந்து இந்திய தயாரிப்பு அயல்நாட்டு மதுபானம், இறக்குமதி செய்யப்பட்ட அயல்நாட்டு மதுபானம் மற்றும் பீர் (IMFS/IFL/Beer) பெட்டிகளை மேற்குறிப்பிட்ட மாவட்டங்களில் அமைந்துள்ள சில்லரை விற்பனை மதுபான கடைகளுக்கு மேற்படி சொன்ன வாகனங்களில் (Lorries/Mini Lorries) ஏற்றிச்சென்று இறக்கி வைக்க மார்ச் 2025 முதல் மே/ஜூன் 2026 வரையிலான ஓராண்டு ஒப்பந்த காலத்திற்கு ஒப்பந்ததாரர்களிடமிருந்து கிடங்குவாரியாக தனித்தனியாக இணையவழி ஒப்பந்தப்புள்ளி முறுலை மண்டல மேலாளர், சென்னை மண்டலம் அவர்களால் வரவேற்கப்படுகிறது.

தமிழ்நாடு அரசின் **https://tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app** என்ற இணையத்தளத்தில் ஒப்பந்தப்புள்ளி 11.02.2025 அன்று காலை 11.00 மணி முதல் வெளியிடப்படுகிறது. இணையத்தளத்திலிருந்து ஒப்பந்தப்புள்ளி ஆவணங்களை பதிவிறக்கம்செய்தோ அல்லது நேரில் வந்தோ பெற்றுக் கொள்ளலாம்

இணையதளத்தில் பூர்த்தி செய்யப்பட்ட தொழில்நுட்ப ஒப்பந்தப்புள்ளி (Technical Bid) மற்றும் விலைப்புள்ளி (Financial Bid) சமர்ப்பிக்க வேண்டிய கடைசி தேதி 14.03.2025 அன்று பிற்பகல் 3.00 மணி வரை என அறிவிக்கப்படுகிறது.

வ. எண்	ஒப்பந்தப்புள்ளி இனங்கள்	இணையவழி மூலமாக ஒப்பந்தப்புள்ளி திறக்கப்படும் விபரங்கள்				
		இடம்	திருச்சி		திருவண்ணாமலை	
			நாள்	நேரம்	நாள்	நேரம்
1.	தொழில்நுட்ப ஒப்பந்தப்புள்ளி (Technical Bid)	முதுநிலை மண்டல மேலாளர் அலுவலகம், 4–வது தளம் கூட்ட அரங்கம், B–4 அம்பத்தூர் தொழிற்பேட்டை, சென்னை – 58.	14.03.2025	பகல் 4.00 மணி	14.03.2025	பகல் 5.00 மணி
2.	விலைப்புள்ளி (Financial Bid)	தொழில்நுட்ப ஒப்பந்தப்புள்ளியில் தேர்வு செய்யப்பட்ட ஒப்பந்ததாரர்களுக்கு நாள் மற்றும் நேரம் பின்னர் தெரிவிக்கப்படும்.				

மாவட்ட வருவாய் அலுவலர்/முதுநிலை மண்டல மேலாளர், சென்னை மண்டலம், தமிழ்நாடு மாநில வாணிபக் கழகம்.

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DOCUMENT LOST

I, Y. EDWARD S/o A. Y. Dass, would like to inform the general public that, I have misplaced/lost my Registered Sale Deed Doc. No. 1388/2001-02, Volume No: 2387, Bk. No-I, Pgs: 202-210, dated 17-07-2001, If any one finds it, kindly contact me at 9738844326 within 07 days from the date of this Advertisement. Any transaction with respect to the above mentioned Sale Deed shall not bind and will be considered as null and void.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public that my clients are negotiating to purchase the schedule property from its co-owners (1) Mohammed Shabeer Ahamed, Aged about 60 years, S/o. Late Mohamoud Sab (2) Mrs. Shamsiya Jahan, Aged about 58 years, W/o. Mohammed Shabeer Ahamed, both residing at: 9th Cross, Suresh Layout, Besides Park, Near Ansar Masjid, Sadashivnagar, Tumkur 572 102. If anyone has objections to the sale of the schedule property or any Bank/s, financial institutions, have any claim, title or interest in the schedule property or objections of any nature for the sale transaction, may kindly lodge their objections with documentary proof to the below mentioned address within 14 days from the date of publication of this Notice, objection received thereafter shall not be entertained or binding on my client, he will proceed with the sale transaction. Please Note.

Schedule Property

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Immovable Property House Premises Bearing Municipal corporation New No.1 (Old Municipal No.2), Situated at Munireddy Palya Main Road, Bangalore 560 006, in BBMP Ward No.97, PID No.97-107-1, Bangalore, Measuring East to West 25 Feet and North to South 30 Feet, in all measuring 750 Square Feet, along with a residential building standing thereon with Ground, First and Second Floors, totally 1550 Sq.Ft. of buildup area and bounded on:

East by : Site No.02. **West by:** Hebbal Post Office Compound Wall. **North by:** Masjid Back Side Road. **South by :** Site No.06.

Syed Munaver S.I., Advocate,
No.67, 1st Floor, H.K.P (Broadway) Road, Shivajinagar, Bengaluru 560 051.
Mobile No: 9448802890.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client **Smt. LEELA RAMANATH**, W/o. Sri. C.K. Ramanath, aged about 90 years, residing at No.423, 2nd Cross, 16th Main, 3rd Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru - 560034, is the absolute owner and in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the Schedule Property more fully described in the Schedule herein below.

The Public are hereby informed that the Original Power of Attorney executed by erstwhile owners Smt. Vijayalakshmi Koti and Smt. Namratha Prabhakar Krishnamurthy appointing their father Sri. Prabhakar Ramachandra Rao to sell the Schedule Property in furtherance of which, the Sale Deed dated 17/09/2007, registered as Document No.3391/2007-08, Book-1, Stored in C.D. No. BMHD331, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bommanahalli was executed in favour of the my Client was in my client's custody and the same has been lost / misplaced by my Client.

My Client has also lodged a Police Complaint / Lost Article Report before the jurisdictional police on 08/02/2025 and the same is registered as Lost Report No. 1468985/2025.

The public are hereby requested to notify me / my client and handover the aforesaid Original Power of Attorney executed by erstwhile owners Smt. Vijayalakshmi Koti and Smt. Namratha Prabhakar Krishnamurthy appointing their father Sri. Prabhakar Ramachandra Rao to sell the Schedule Property, to me / my client, if found.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No. 138, old BBMP Khata No. 84/138, situated at Hosur Sarjapur Road Layout, Sector IV, Bengaluru South Taluk, measuring East to West 18.28 Meters (60 Feet), North to South 12.19 Meters (40 Feet) and totally measuring 222.83 Square Meters (2400 Square Feet), bounded by: -

East by : Site No.115, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Site No.137, **South by :** Site No.139.

MAHESH REDDY .G, Advocate
No. 27, Indo Legal Inc, 9th Cross, Wilson Garden, Bnegaluru-560027.
Mobile : 9035323514, 8618853779
Email : maheshradvocate@gmail.com

Karnataka Solar Power Development Corporation Limited

(CIN: U40107KA2015PLCO79223)
No. 6/13/1, KREDL Building, 5th Floor, 10th Block, Nagarabhavi, 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560 072.

No.: KSPDCL/F-247/2024-25 Date: 11.02.2025

INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Karnataka Solar Power Development Corporation Limited hereby invites bids for carrying out Shift Duites at 8 Nos. of 220kV substations and 1 no. 66/11kV substation located at 2050 MW Pavagada Solar Park in 3 Lots. Bid documents will be available in the KPP portal **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) on or after 13.02.2025.** Details are also available in KSPDCL website.

Note: KSPDCL reserves the right to annul the bidding process and invite fresh bids without liability or obligation for such invitation and without assigning any reasons.

Sd/- Chief Executive Officer, KSPDCL

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
OFFICE OF THE ADDITIONAL CHIEF ENGINEER
CANAL CIRCLE, BURLA

e-Procurement notice no.-ACECCB-01/2024-25
Bid Identification No.- ACECCB-01/2024-25
A-1012

1.	Type of the work	:	Road Work
2.	No of works	:	1(One) no.
3.	Class of contractor	:	"A" & "B" class
4.	Bid identification No	:	ACECCB-01 /2024-25
5.	Estimated cost	:	Rs.248.16 Lakhs (Approx)
6.	Period of completion	:	11 (Eleven) Calendar Months including rainy season
7.	Date and time of availability of bid documents in the portal	:	Dt.11.02.2025 at 10.00 AM to Dt.27.02.2025 up to 5.30 PM.
8.	Last date/ time for receipt of bids in the portal	:	Dt.27.02.2025 up to 5.30 PM.
9.	Date of opening of Technical Bid (Cover-I)	:	Dt. 28.02.2025 at 11.30 AM, O/0 Additional Chief Engineer, Canal Circle, Burla
10.	Date of opening of Financial Bid (Cover-II)	:	To be intimated later
11.	Name and Address of the Officer inviting Bid	:	Additional Chief Engineer, Canal Circle, Burla-768017 Email Id: aceccburla12@gmail.com

1. Any addendum/corrigendum/ cancellation/ erratum of tender can also be seen in the said Website.
2. Further details can be seen from Government Website http://tenderodisha.gov.in.

Sd/-
ADDITIONAL CHIEF ENGINEER,
CANAL CIRCLE, BURLA

OIPR-32460/11/0002/2425

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ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಯು.ಇ.ಡಿ./ಡಿ.ಬಿ–1/1378/2024–25 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 03.02.2025

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

(ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾತ್ರ)

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ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು, ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾನಿಲಯ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮೈಸೂರು ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾನಿಲಯ, ಮೈಸೂರು ಇವರು ಮೈಸೂರು ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾನಿಲಯ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಾಗಿ ನಿಯಮಾನುಸಾರ ದ್ವಿ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ 1999 ನಿಯಮಗಳ 2000ರಂತೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಅರ್ಹ ಸ್ಯಾಂಡರ್ಡ್ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ್ ಕೆಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ–4ರ ನಿಯಮಗಳನ್ವಯ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಅರ್ಹ ದರ್ಜೆ ನೊಂದಾಯಿತ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ/ಸರಬರಾಜುದಾರರಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿ: 18.02.2025ರ ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ. ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಿದ ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ.ಯನ್ನು ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಿರುವ ಯಾವುದಾದರೂ ಒಂದು ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ.ಯು ಟೆಂಡರಿನ ನ್ಯಾಯ ಸಮ್ಮತಾ ಮಾನ್ಯತಾ ಅವಧಿಗಿಂತ (Validity period) 45 ದಿನಗಳ ನಂತರದವರೆಗೆ ಮಾನ್ಯತೆ ಇರತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಪೂರ್ಣ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ https://kppp.karnataka.gov.inನಿಂದ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ಸ್ವ/ಪ್ರ)

DIPR/DDMYS/1262/KSMCA/882/2024-25

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ನಗರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಗ್ರಂಥಾಲಯ,
ಮಲೆ ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಪೀಪಲ್ಸ್ ಪಾರ್ಕ್, ಮೈಸೂರು–570010
ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ನಕೇಗ್ರಂ.ಮೈ/ಆ1/ಇ–ಆಫೀಸ್/2024–25 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 05.02.2025

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ

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ಸಹಿ/– (ಉಪನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರ ಪರವಾಗಿ)

DIPR/DDMYS/1258/KSMCA/881/2024-25

Can Fin Homes Ltd

Bidadi Branch

Sri.Annapoorneshwari Complex, Above Canara Bank,B.G.S. Road, Bangalore – 562109, Ph: 080-2728250 Mob: 7625079189
e-mail Id: bidadi@canfinhomes.com
CIN No. L85110KA1987PLC008699

APPENDIX- IV-A
[See proviso to rule 9(1)]
Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd. Bidadi Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **04-03-2025** for recovery of **Rs.28,93,691/-** (Rupees Twenty Eight lakh Ninety Three thousand Six hundred Ninety One only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. From **Mr. Suresh S H and Mrs. Sheela M (Borrowers) and Mr. Lakshmanna (Gurarantor)** as on **10-02-2025** together with further interest and other charges thereon. The reserve price will be **Rs.34,10,000**(Rupees Thirty Four lakh Ten thousand only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.3,41,000/-** (Rupees Three lakh Forty One thousand only)

Description of the Immovable Property

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site no.45 Katha no. 1602/325 Sy no. 325 Hesarghatta Village, Hesarghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, **measuring** East to West 30 FEET **and** North to South 40 FEET, **Total measuring** 1200 SQ FEET **and bounded on East by : Site No. 44, West by : Site No. 46, North by : Road, South by : Others Property**
Encumbrances : NIL

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx). Link for participating in e-auction : www.bankeauctionwizard.com

Date: 10.02.2025
Place : Bidadi

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify to all general public that my client **Smt. K.G. Hemavathi,** W/o Channappa Ingalalli, aged about 58 Years, Residing at Laksmishanagara, 1st Cross, Kaduru Town, Chikmagalur-577 548, intending to purchase the "Schedule Property" mentioned hereunder from it's owners namely **Smt. H.N. Jayalakshmi** W/o N. Balappa, Aged about 65 years, residing at No-3, L N Nilaya, 8th Cross, Near to KNE College, 4th Block, Doddabommasandra, Vidyaranyapura Post, Bengaluru-560 097 for valuable sale consideration.

If any person or persons have got any manner of right, interest and claim over the schedule property, such persons can send their objections to the undersigned council, **within 7 days** from the date of receipt of this paper publication, failing which my client treats that no objection or claims over the schedule property and proceeds to purchase the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of immoveable residential vacant property bearing Site No.6, Byatarayanapura CMC Old Katha No.154/189/2, Present BBMP Katha No.1701/154/189/2/6, measuring East to west 75+66/2 feet and North to South 40 Feet, total measuring 2820 Sq. Feet, Side formed in Survey No.189/2, converted to Agriculture to Non-Agriculture residential purpose, vide Conversion Order No. BDIS/ALN/SR/(N)91/91-92, dated: 15/11/1991, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, Situated at KODIGEHALLI Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Presently Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore and bounded on:

East by : Site No.7
West by : Site No.5,
North by : Nanjappa's Property,
South by : 30 feet Road.

HARI KRISHNA .K.A
Advocate & Legal Consultant
Office No. 39, 17/2, 2nd Floor, Near Chairman's Club, Opp. S.R.P.C. Quarters, Kodigehalli Main Road, Sahakarnagar Post, Bengaluru-560 092. Mobile: 97400 88882
Email: harikrishna.ka8@gmail.com
Date: 10-02-2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public that my client **Smt. LEELA RAMANATH**, W/o. Sri. C.K. Ramanath, aged about 90 years, residing at No.423, 2nd Cross, 16th Main, 3rd Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru - 560034, is the absolute owner and in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the Schedule Property more fully described in the Schedule herein below.

The Public are hereby informed that the Original Power of Attorney executed by erstwhile owners Smt. Vijayalakshmi Koti and Smt. Namratha Prabhakar Krishnamurthy appointing their father Sri. Prabhakar Ramachandra Rao to sell the Schedule Property in furtherance of which, the Sale Deed dated 17/09/2007, registered as Document No.3391/2007-08, Book-1, Stored in C.D. No. BMHD331, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bommanahalli was executed in favour of the my Client was in my client's custody and the same has been lost / misplaced by my Client.

My Client has also lodged a Police Complaint / Lost Article Report before the jurisdictional police on 08/02/2025 and the same is registered as Lost Report No. 1468985/2025.

The public are hereby requested to notify me / my client and handover the aforesaid Original Power of Attorney executed by erstwhile owners Smt. Vijayalakshmi Koti and Smt. Namratha Prabhakar Krishnamurthy appointing their father Sri. Prabhakar Ramachandra Rao to sell the Schedule Property, to me / my client, if found.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No. 138, old BBMP Khata No. 84/138, situated at Hosur Sarjapur Road Layout, Sector IV, Bengaluru South Taluk, measuring East to West 18.28 Meters (60 Feet), North to South 12.19 Meters (40 Feet) and totally measuring 222.83 Square Meters (2400 Square Feet), bounded by: -

East by : Site No.115, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Site No.137, **South by :** Site No.139.

MAHESH REDDY .G, Advocate
No. 27, Indo Legal Inc, 9th Cross, Wilson Garden, Bnegaluru-560027.
Mobile : 9035323514, 8618853779
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Date: 10-02-2025

Hg. dt: 18-06-2025

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II AT BENGALURU

B.S.N.L. Building, 4th Floor, "TELEPHONE HOUSE" Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001.

O.A. No. 396/2023

BETWEEN : BANK OF BARODA, Banashankari Branch, Bangalore-560 050. ...Applicant
Vs
AND: M/s. WS Focus Global Ads Services (India) Pvt.Ltd. and others ...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE-23 (viii) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL PROCEDURE RULES-1993

Defendants No.1 to 5 :

1. M/s. Ws. Focus Global Ads Services (India) Pvt. Ltd. Represented by its Directors. Mr. Gopal Chandrashekar, No. 225/1, 2nd Floor, 2nd Main, 4th Phase, 7th Block, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560 085.

2. Mr. Gopal Chandrashekar, S/o Mr. Gopal Venkatappa Bangalore, aged about 47 years R/o. No. 886/J, Flat No.F2, 2nd Floor, Lakeview Apartment, Vinayaka Layout, Nagarbhavi 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560 072.

3. Mrs. Supriya K., W/o Ramanath V., aged about 32 years, R/o No. 245 (New No. 184), 5th Cross, Kumaramma Road, Near Gavigangadhareshwara Temple, Lakshmipuram, Gaviparam, Bangalore-560 004.

4. Mr. B.V. Gopal S/o Late K. Venkatswamy, aged about 80 years, R/o No. 28, J.J.R. Nagar Main Road, Chamrajpet, Bangalore-560 018.

5. Mr. Tilak D. Raj. S/o Mr. Devaraj B.V., aged about 35 years, R/o Flat No.405, 4th Floor, Block-B, "Sai Gangothri Apartment', Ullalu Main Road, Mallathahalli, Bangalore-560 056.

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANTS 1 to 5 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

Whereas the applicant has instituted an Application Under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Ac-1993 against the defendants / you for the recovery of a sum of Rs.36,29,990/- (Rupees Thirty Six Lakhs Twenty nine thousand and Nine Hundred Ninety Only) together with current and future interest and other reliefs.

The above mentioned defendants are therefore hereby directed to appear before this Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly authorized agent, in support of their defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of Publication or **on 18.06.2025 at 10.30 A.M.** as to why the reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and Seal of this Tribunal on the 29th January 2025.

By Order of the Tribunal, Registrar, Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Bangalore-560001.
(Raghavendra Rao Manvi), Advocate

IN THE HON'BLE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, AT BANGALORE

B.S.N.L. Building, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001.

T.A. No. 23/2023

Between : Canara Bank, Jayanagar 3rd Block Branch, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560 031. ...Original Applicant

And: M/s. Guru Raghavendra Engineering Work, Konanakunte Cross, Bengaluru-560 062. ...Defendant

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993

Whereas, the applicant as instituted an application under Recovery of the debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993 against you for recovery sum of Rs. 37,32,826.00 (Thirthy Seven Lakhs Thirthy two Thousand eight hundred twenty six only) together with current and future interest and other reliefs. The above defendant is therefore hereby directed to remain present before the Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or through an Authorized Agents in support of his defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of the publication or on **13.03.2025 at 10.30 A.M.,** as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this tribunal on this 09th January 2025.

Registrar,
Debts Recovery Tribunal-2, Bengaluru.

CORRIGENDUM TO THE PUBLIC NOTICE DATED 31/01/2025

This is to inform the General Public that, in the Public Notice dated 31/01/2025, it is wrongly shown as **Late. Sirajpha Aslam** instead of **Sirajpha Aslam** and the name of **Nayaz Rijwe** is wrongly shown as **Nayaz Rizvi**, hence the Corrigendum.

Date:10.02.2025 **Sd/-**
Bangalore **K.S CHANDRA SHEKAR**
Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India,
No.21, Dhondusa Layout,
Off. Bull Temple Road, Mount Joy Cross Road, Hanumanthanagar, Bangalore-19.
Mob : 9448366193

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is informed that, **Mr. Shiva Perumal.C S/o Mr. Chinna Tambi,** has lost original property document i.e., Original Sale Deed dated 06.12.2006 executed in favour of Mr.C.Indrasenan, registered document No. KRI-1-29493-2006-2007, of Book 1, Stored in C.D.No.KRID275, SRO- Krishnarajapura, Bangalore, pertaining to immovable property bearing Site No.132, formed in Survey.No.102, Katha No.351, Present Property No.73/102/132, Present PID No.150200401700320027, Situated at Dommasandra Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Measuring East to West On Northern Side 21 feet., On Southern Side 45 Feet and North to South 40 Feet. A Complaint is lodged in Crime Branch Bangalore City Police on dated 10.02.2025, Lost Report No.1470366/2025. Finders may return the same to the above said Police Station or contact at the below address **within 07 days** from this publication.

Sri. Prashanth.Kumar.K BA LLB
"LEX FACTUM",
Advocate and Legal Consultant,
No.690, 2nd Floor, 36th Cross, 11th Main Road, Rajajinagar 2nd Block, Bangalore-560 010

IN THE COURT OF II ADDL. CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU

L.A.C No.51/2020 [CCH-17]

BETWEEN: 1. Sri Suggaiah, Residing at Byalalu Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District - 562130. ... **CLAIMANT**
AND: SLAO, Karnataka Housing Board ... **RESPONDENT**

NOTICE TO OBJECTOR No.16 AND 17 U/O 5 R 20 OF CPC

To, **16. Smt. Siddamma,** W/o Late. Venkateshappa, Residing at Bangarappa Nagara, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District - 560098. **17 Sri. Venkategowda,** S/o Late. Hanumanthaiah, Residing at Byalalu Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District - 562130. ... **RESPONDENT**

Whereas, the Respondent authority has filed this case against you and other claimant and objectors for reference under Section 77(1) of RFCTLA Act 2013 it relates to acquisition case No.KHB/LAQ/5/2010-11 and acquisition of land in Sy.No.58/10A measuring 0-24 Guntas of Byalau Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru District vide Declaration No: RD: 204: Bhu.Swa.Be: 2012. Dated: 27.11.2012 and deposited the amount of Rs.64,31,597/-before this Hon'ble Court for apportionment.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the court either in person or through a duly appointed counsel to pleader on your behalf on **28/03/2025** at **11:00 A.M.** failing which the matter will be heard and determined in your absence, placing ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court on this 28/01/2025

By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court, Bengaluru

SHARATH .B BELAVIGI
Advocate and Associates

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby put to notice that my client intends to purchase the Item No.1 of the Schedule Property from its original owner namely **Sri.NAGESH S/o. late.Shankarappa,** aged about 53 years, residing at No.5, Kodimanchenahalli Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural – 562 110 and Item no.2 of the Schedule Property from its original owner namely **Sri.SOMASHEKAR

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER		FOREX	
548.39 ▼	Sensex	77,311.80	₹390 ▲	24 carat (10 gm)	₹87,210	1 kg	₹99,500	Dollar ▲	87.58
178.35 ▼	Nifty	23,381.60	₹350 ▲	22 carat (10 gm)	₹79,950	10 gm	₹995	Euro ▼	90.35

Bigger pain felt in smallcap, midcap segments with these indices falling 11% and 8%, respectively, in 2025; investors look for more liquidity support from RBI

Valuation, US tariff concerns weigh on mkt

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC stock market continues to reel under pressure despite a repo rate cut by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for the first time in 5 years and optimism surrounding the Union Budget. Further, a win by PM Narendra Modi's BJP in the Delhi state elections failed to lift sentiments.

Market experts feel concerns related to a possible tariff hike by the US has overshadowed the positivities. The street has also turned its focus on the valuation of the Indian market after valuation expert Aswath Damodaran in his latest blog wrote that the Indian stock market is the most expensive globally, even more than the US and China, and that no amount of optimism about India's growth story can justify its steep valuations.

Falling for the fourth straight session, the local benchmark indices – BSE Sensex and NSE Nifty – shed about 0.70% each on Monday. At close, the Sensex was down 548.39 points at 77,311.80, and the Nifty was down 178.35 points at 23,381.60. So far in 2025, the two indices are down about 1.5% each and from their 52-week high level, they are down 10-11% each.

A bigger pain is being felt in the smallcap and midcap segments. On Monday, Nifty Midcap and Smallcap indices shed more than 2% each and so far in 2025 they are down 8% and 11%, respectively. "The US tariff threats continued to impact the market sentiment. Domestic yield is inching higher as investors stay cautious on riskier assets and navigate their investments to safe-haven assets like gold," said Vinod Nair, Head of Research, Geojit Financial Services. Latest reports surfaced highlighting that Trump may go for a 25% levy on steel and aluminium imports. The fresh tariff worry comes at a time when corporate earnings growth has slowed in recent quarters due to a weak demand environment, margin pressure, and a cautious near-term outlook.

INR continues to fall on tariff worries, witnesses low of 87.95

US tariff, fund outgo hit mkt

Rupee hits all-time low as the US president Donald Trump announced fresh tariffs to the tune of 25% on steel and aluminum imports into US shores. Persistent outflows from the domestic equity and debt markets added to the woes

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

THE rupee on Monday hit the low of 87.95 in the early trade, however, it managed to recoup later in the day to close at 87.48, marginally down from the previous day's close.

This is the all-time low as the US president Donald Trump announced fresh tariffs to the tune of 25% on steel and aluminum imports into US shores. Persistent outflows from the domestic equity and debt markets added to the woes. Investors were looking for more liquidity support, which the central bank didn't offer. Traders said rupee managed to pare most of its losses due to strong RBI intervention, exporters' selling dollars and profit-booking by speculators. Last Friday, after announcing the first interest rate cut in nearly five years, RBI governor Sanjay Malhotra reiterated the official position of the RBI when asked about the rupee pain, saying it doesn't set a target for rupee but only prevent excess volatility. The Mint Road has sold over $140 billion this fiscal.

Gold hits $2,930/ounce; crosses ₹88k mark in Delhi

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

THE gold spot price shot past the $2930 mark earlier in the day on Monday on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange as the demand for the yellow metal soared after US President Donald Trump threatened to impose a 25% tariff on steel and aluminum imports into the US.

In the domestic market, this price will only reflect on Tuesday. Yet investors and traders jacked up prices on Monday with the price in Delhi touching ₹88,080/10g in the evening, while Mumbai trending at ₹87,990, up from 87,300 on Saturday.

Abdul Nazar, director of the All-India Gems & Jewellery Domestic Council GJC) and the general secretary of the All-Kerala Gold & Silver Merchants Association, told TNIE the new record price will be effective on Tuesday in domestic market. The sport price of $2931 is the highest in nearly four decades, when adjusted for inflation. The all-time high for gold was over $3,300 climbed in February 1980 when the yellow metal was hit with a crude price rally and record high inflation.

Colin Shah, MD of Kama Jewelry, said prices have hit fresh highs in the global markets. The key factor pushing prices upwards is the tariff threats by Trump that is boosting demand for safe-haven assets like gold. The possible US tariffs on steel and aluminum imports is on top of existing metals duties. The possibility of a likely US-China trade war is also supporting the gold price, he added.

Trainees struggle to clear IT firms' assessment tests

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

AS IT companies have adopted stringent assessment process, a large number trainees are failing to clear the test, thereby losing their job.

After two-and-a-half years' wait, many campus recruits got their jobs in Infosys in October last year, but 490 of them from the 2022 batch were laid off last week from Mysuru campus. Infosys in a statement said freshers get three attempts to clear assessment, failing which they will can't continue with the organisation. A couple of trainees this newspaper spoke to said it was a stringent assessment and that there was no mention of three attempts in their offer letters. Have IT firms' assessments changed over the years? No, say HR experts.

Kamal Karanth, co-founder, Xpheno, said it is a fairly evolved practice for enterprises hiring freshers to have rigorous training and evaluation models. "As the employability gap of graduates with respect to skill needs of tech companies is significantly higher, the standards set for them to become billable resources is competitive. Most of these freshers will have to clear client assessments to be on live projects. The disappointment of the rejected is understandable. But it's an accepted norm even in non-IT enterprises to let go people if they don't meet standards during probation period," he added.

Aditya Narayan Mishra, MD and CEO of CIEL HR, said companies have been trying to adapt their training models to ensure their workforce remains relevant and competitive. "Candidates facing delayed onboarding may experience skill gaps, which could impact their performance," he added. A young graduate from Jharkhand (2022 batch), who was laid off, said he was recruited for a Systems Engineer position. While he cleared Java, he failed in DBMS by three marks. "All 490 trainees were asked to leave campus the same day. I am stuck in Mysuru as I didn't get a ticket to my hometown. I have not informed back home about this layoff," he said. Though the IT firm says the trainees failed to clear assessments, these young recruits are clueless about their future. "Since we are from 2022 batch, it is difficult to try in other companies as they prefer freshers," another trainee said.

Fund manager Naren's take on SIP sparks debate in MF industry

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

'Momentum in small, mid-cap starting to fade'

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ICICI Pru AMC's fund manager S Naren's take on systematic investment plans (SIPs) has sparked a debate in mutual fund industry. Speaking at the IFA Galaxy 2025, an event organised by a Chennai-based mutual fund association, Naren advised it is a "clear time to take out lock, stock, and barrel from small- and mid-caps."

"...I believe that investors who have started SIPs from 2023 in small and midcap, they're going to have a very bad, very bad experience. Is this a time to take out money from small and midcap? We think it is a clear time to take out lock, stock, and barrel from small and midcap," said Naren. He added that this is the time to even stop small and midcap SIPs because they're so overvalued. He explained that SIP has to be done in volatile and undervalued asset classes. If you do SIPs in overvalued asset classes – like China three years ago, or Indian equities in 1994 or 2007-2008 – you only have yourself to blame, he said.

Naren also highlighted that 2025 could be the most dangerous year since the 2008-2010 period when investors had lost a lot of their money. He cautioned that the momentum in small and mid-cap stocks is starting to fade. Naren's remarks come at a time when the Indian equity market, especially the midcap and smallcap stocks, is going through a correction phase after 4-year strong bull run. So far in 2025 alone, Nifty midcap and smallcap indices plummeted 10-11% each.

Radhika Gupta, CEO of Edelweiss Mutual Fund said that one should not fall for the fear-mongering 10-day debates. On social media platform X, Gupta said that everything including mid and small is good in balance and even an average flexi cap fund has a 30% allocation to this category. She also said that it's essential to stay invested in SIPs for the long term, ideally 10 years or more.

Aashish P Sommaiyaa, CEO of WhiteOak Capital, without taking Naren's name, wrote on social media, "If the market goes up I am a star manager. If market goes down you gave me money at wrong time and started your SIP at peak." He said,

"No brownies for avoiding volatile asset classes or smoothening the journey proactively. But lot of brownies for enabling risk taking, launching one narrow sectoral NFO per month and then taking a dump on distributors, industry peers, issuer companies and investors. Conduct with contradictions and cognitive dissonance yet gaslight the world."

BSNL receives ₹6,000 crore for expansion of 4G

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU@ New Delhi

STATE-owned Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd (MTNL) have received another relief package worth ₹6,000 crore for the expansion of their 4G rollout plans.

This is the fourth revival package from the government, totalling ₹3,22,047 crore so far. MTNL, a government-owned telecom service provider operating in Delhi and Mumbai, finalised a deal with BSNL a few months ago to bring 4G services to its users. Under a 10-year agreement, MTNL aims to enhance its network services, offering improved 4G connectivity to its customer base.

The first revival package for BSNL/MTNL, approved in 2019, was ₹69,000 crore. In 2022, the government approved an additional ₹1.64 lakh crore to provide financial support for capital expenditure, viability gap funding, and debt restructuring. In June 2023, ₹89,047.82 crore was infused for the allocation of 4G/5G spectrum through equity infusion.

IHCL to invest ₹2,500 crore to develop Taj Bandstand hotel

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

INDIAN Hotels Company (IHCL), which owns and operates the Taj brand of luxury hotels and a few other soupped down labels, on Monday announced a ₹2,500 crore investment to develop a new 330-key hotel, the Taj Bandstand, in the megapolis, making it the fifth Taj branded hotel in the city, including the iconic Taj Mahal Palace at the Gateway.

The new hotel will come up on a two-acre plot that once housed the Sea Rock Hotel, near the Bandra fort, which the Tatas had bought for ₹680 crore in 2009 and then demolished it and now being rebuilt as the Taj Bandstand with 330 keys, 85 apartments with multiple dining options and a convention center and a commercial complex.

The Sea Rock Hotel was a 440-room hotel in Bandra and used to be a popular destination for film stars and other celebrities. The hotel was damaged in the blast in 1993 serial blasts, which led to a legal battle between EHIL and ITC Welcomgroup.

The dispute was eventually settled out of court. The hotel was bought from the Nandas, who also owned the Claridges.

"The work of the new property will begin in the second half of this year and complete the project over the next four years," IHCL chief executive Puneet Chhatwal told reporters here on Monday after a groundbreaking ceremony in the presence of chief minister Devedra Fadanvis and Tata Sons chairman N Chandrasekaran. The project faced inordinate delays due to litigations, environmental clearance and extra FSI. Chhatwal said the new hotel when completed will create direct jobs of nearly 1,000 and indirect employment for over 7,000 people.

The Tatas opened their first hotel, The Taj Mahal Palace, in Bombay in 1903 and has become a key icon of the city's cultural fabric. Chhatwal said the ₹2,500 crore investment includes the cost of land. He also said the group has secured all necessary permissions for the project, with only a few minor approvals pending. The IHCL already operates the Taj Lands End, a property located next to the upcoming Taj Bandstand. A road separates the two properties, with the historically significant Bandra fort nearby.

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Indian oil, gas cos in talks with US for sourcing LNG

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

INDIAN companies such as GAIL, Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), and Bharat Petroleum Corporation (BPCL) are in active discussions with US companies for sourcing liquefied natural gas (LNG). Petroleum Secretary Pankaj Jain, speaking to the media on Monday, mentioned that Indian oil and gas companies would consider buying stakes in US LNG projects if the deals are attractive.

"Indian companies are looking at buying LNG from around the world, particularly from the US," said Pankaj. India, the fourth-largest LNG importer in the world, aims to increase the share of natural gas in its energy mix to 15% by 2030, up from over 6% at present. Currently, GAIL has term LNG contracts for 5.8 million tonne of US LNG. The bulk of India's long-term LNG volumes come from Qatar.

Petroleum minister Hardeep Singh Puri, speaking at a press conference, said energy could feature in the meeting between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and US President Donald Trump. "I would be surprised if sourcing of energy (by India from the US) doesn't feature in the talks (during PM Modi's upcoming US visit)... With President Trump saying he wants to see global (energy) prices come down... for countries like India, that is a very positive development," said Puri.

After taking charge last month, Trump lifted the Joe Biden administration's ban on export permits for new US LNG projects, which could further solidify Washington's position as the world's largest LNG exporter. Currently, GAIL has term LNG contracts totalling 5.8 million tonne of US LNG.

Eicher appoints Lal as Chairman; Vinod Aggarwal, B Govindarajan take key roles

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

AUTO major Eicher Motors Limited (EML) on Monday announced the appointment of Siddhartha Lal as the executive Chairman of the Board, following the retirement of Chairman S Sandilya. In addition, the board also appointed Vinod Aggarwal as the vice Chairman (non-executive), and B Govindarajan as the new managing director of EML. Govindarajan will be replacing Lal as the new MD of Eicher.

Aggarwal will continue to be MD and CEO at VE Commercial Vehicles (EML's joint venture with the Volvo Group), while B. Govindarajan will retain his role as the CEO of Royal Enfield. Eicher on Monday reported that its consolidated profit after tax rose 18% YoY to ₹1,171 crore for Q3FY25, riding on higher sales.

Revenue from operations rose to ₹4,973 crore in Q3 as against ₹4,179 crore in Q3FY24, Eicher said in a statement. Royal Enfield recorded its highest-ever quarterly sales volume of 2,69,039 motorcycles in the quarter, a growth of 17% over 2,29,214 units sold in the year-ago period. The Board appointed Ira Gupta and Arun Vasu as independent directors. Gupta leads an HR advisory practice specialising in leadership coaching, succession and culture. Vasu is the third-generation torchbearer of the esteemed TTK family legacy.

"From his early roles in the company to serving as MD, Group CEO, and Chairman for 25 years, he (Sandilya) has been instrumental in shaping Eicher Motors into what it is today.," Siddhartha Lal said.

EXPRESS READ

RIL enters sports drink segment with 'Spinner'

NEW DELHI: Reliance via its FMCG arm Reliance Consumer Products Ltd (RCPL) has entered sports hydration drink segment with launch of brand 'Spinner', co-created with Sri Lankan cricket icon Muttiah Muralitharan. Reliance is offering Spinner at a price of ₹10 for a 150 ml single-serve bottle. *ENS*

₹1.88L cr GST evasion detected in April-Dec

NEW DELHI: GST evasion of over ₹1.88 lakh crore was detected by Central GST officers during April-December 2024, the Lok Sabha was informed on Monday. MoS Finance Pankaj Chaudhary said GST evasion in 72,393 cases between April and December stood at ₹1.88 lakh crore. *ENS*

Nykaa Q3 profit surges 61% to ₹26 cr, revenue from ops up 27%

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

FSN E-Commerce Ventures, parent company of beauty and fashion brand Nykaa, on Monday posted a 61% jump in its consolidated net profit to ₹26.12 crore for the third quarter ended December 2024as against ₹16.18 crore in the year-ago period.

Revenue from operations grew 27% to ₹2,267 crore as against ₹1,789 crore in the same quarter last year. EBITDA grew 42% YoY to ₹140.8 crore in the third quarter and EBITDA margins expanded to 6.2% in Q3FY25 compared to 5.5% in Q3FY24. The company's beauty vertical saw accelerated growth momentum, up 32% YoY, reaching GMV (gross merchandise value) of ₹3,389.9 crore in Q3FY25. This was fuelled by customer growth with Nykaa's cumulative beauty customer base growing to 32 million and One Nykaa cumulative base to 40 million.

Nykaa Fashion witnessed a revenue growth of 21% YoY, in a subdued demand environment with GMV growth of 8% y-o-y. The company said its fashion vertical continues to show improvement in profitability with cost efficiencies across several cost items. Gross margins saw strong improvement in Q3 FY2025, reaching 51.3%.

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Sale notice for sale of immovable properties
APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 9 (1)]

SALE NOTICE for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Can Fin Homes Ltd., Vijayanagar Branch,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 05-03-2025,** for recovery of **Rs. 26,23,509/-** (Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs twenty Three Thousand Five Hundred and nine Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. From **Mrs. Subhashini .Y (Borrower)** and **Mr. Muralidhar (Co-Borrower),** as on 10.02.2025 together with further interest and other charges thereon. The reserve price will be **Rs. 21,00,000/-** (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. 2,10,000/-** (Rupees Two Lakhs Ten Thousand Only)

Description of immovable property

Schedule 'A' Property : Item No. 1 : All that piece and Parcel of a Property being converted land measuring 13,068 Sq.Ft (0-12 guntas) in VP Katha No: 5190/108/2, Sy.No:108/2 (vide conversion certificate bearing No: BDS.ALN.(A).SR.365/2004-05 dated: 28.01.2005 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) situated at Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and **Bounded as follows : East :** Road & Land belongs to Sampangi Ramaiah in Portion of Sy.No.108/2, **West :** Land belongs to Pillappa, Now Smt. Chennamma in portion of Sy.No. 108/2, **North :** Land belongs to Mr. B M Venkatesh, **South :** Land belongs to Mr.V. Ashwathnarayana.

Item No. 2 : All that piece and Parcel of a Property being converted land measuring 4,356 Sq.Ft (0-4 guntas) in VP Katha No: 5189/108/2, Sy.No:108/2 (vide conversion certificate bearing No: ALN.(A).(A).SR.33/2010-11 dated: 17.08.2010 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) situated at Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and **Bounded as follows : East :** Land belongs to Pillappa Now Smt. Chennamma in Portion of Sy.No.108/2, **West :** Land belongs to P. Ananda Murthy in portion of Sy.No. 108/2, **North :** Land belongs to Mr. B M Venkatesh, **South :** Land belongs to Mr. V. Ashwathnarayana.

Item No. 3 : All that piece and Parcel of a Property being converted land measuring 10,890 Sq.Ft (0-10 guntas) in VP Katha No: 5189/108/2, Sy.No:108/2 (vide conversion certificate bearing No: ALN.(A)(A).SR.33/2010-11 dated: 17.08.2010 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) situated at Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and Bounded as follows : **East :** Land belongs to P.Lakshmana in Portion of Sy.No.108/2, **West :** Land belongs to P. Ananda Murthy in portion of Sy.No. 108/2, **North :** Land belongs to Mr. B M Venkatesh, **South :** Land belongs to Mr. V. Ashwathnarayana.

Item No. 4 : All that piece and Parcel of a Property being converted land measuring 5,445 Sq.Ft (0-5 guntas) in VP Katha No: 5193/108/2, Sy.No:108/2 and another property being converted and measuring 13,198 Sq.Ft (0-123/4 Guntas) in VP Katha No: 5194/108/1, Sy.No108/1 (vide conversion certificate bearing No: ALN.(A) (K & A).SR.184/2005-06 dated: 06.08.2008 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) both in total measuring 18,643 Sq.Ft (0-17 3/4 Guntas) situated at Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and **Bounded as follows : East :** Land belongs to Sharadamma in Portion of Sy.No.108/2, **West :** Land belongs to Rudramma, **North :** Land belongs to Mr. L. Ramachandrappa & Mr. B M Venkatesh, **South :** Land belongs to Mr. V. Ashwathnarayana.

The boundary is carved out of both Sy.Nos.108/2 measuring 0-5 guntas and Sy.No.108/1 measuring 0-12 3/4 Guntas in total 0-17 3/4 guntas of land.

Item Nos. 1,2,3 and 4 of Schedule A property are adjacent and abutting to each other and measuring in Total 46,957 Sq. Ft.

**Schedule `B' Property : (Description of undivided share hereby conveyed) :** Undivided share, right, title, interest, and ownership of land measuring 265 Sq.ft. in the land comprised in the Schedule `A' property.

(Description of the Apartment conveyed in PRABHAVATHI PARAMOUNT) : All that piece and parcel of the Flat No.G-31, Ground Floor in the apartment Known as "Prabhavathi Paramount" in "B" Block, having a Super built-up area of 910 sq. ft. Which consisting of 2 Nos Bedrooms, One Hall, kitchen, Two Toilets with One car parking space in the Stilt Floor and **bounded on : East by :** Open Space, **West by :** Flat No. G -30, **North by :** Open Space, **South by :** Corridor.

Measuring **a super built up area of 910 Sq.Ft.**

Encumbrance if any: NILL

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of **Can Fin Homes Ltd., (www.canfinhomes.com).** Please refer to the following link **https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx**

Place: Bangalore. **Sd/- Authorised Officer,**
Date: 10.02.2024 **Can Fin Homes Ltd.**

KARNATAKA GOVERNMENT STOCK (SECURITIES)

Vidhana Soudha, Bengaluru

No: FD 01 BMB 2024 **Dated: 07.02.2025**

NOTICE

1. Aggregate Amount : Total Rs.4000 crore (Rs.2000 crore-6 Years and 6 Months and Rs.2000 crore-8 Years and 6 Months Tenure)
2. Method of Issue : By auction, through PDO, RBI, Mumbai (Fort)
3. Date of auction : February 11,2025

Government of Karnataka invites subscription to the above securities. Copies of the Notification and Application forms may be obtained from PDO, RBI, Bangalore. Non-competitive bidding facility has been introduced by RBI to encourage participation of retail investors. The Government stock up to 10% of the notified amount of the sale will be allotted to eligible individuals and institutions. Sample Tender Forms and the revised scheme of Non-competitive bidding facility is available on the website **www.rbi.org.in.**

Sd/- (Dr. P.C Jaffer)
Secretary to Government
(Budget & Resources), Finance Department

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PRE SALES STATUTORY NOTICE OF 30 DAYS UNDER RULE 8(6) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES,2002 READ WITH SUB – SECTION (8) OF SECTION 13 SARFAESI ACT FOR E-AUCTION SALE OF SECURED ASSET.

We hereby intend to inform you that we had issued demand notice Dated **05/07/2024** U/s 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, whereby we raised a demand **Rs.1,49,77,944./-(Rupees One Crore Forty Nine Lakhs Seventy Seven thousand Nine hundred & Forty Four Only) as on 05/07/2024** and further interest and other expenses thereon till the date of payment.

NOTICE is hereby given to you that, we after having taken possession of the premises on **25-09-2024** do hereby inform you that we shall sell the mortgaged / **ITEM NO.1** All that piece and parcel of the Immovable House Building Property bearing No.13/7-2 E part, PID No. 48-92-13/7-2, 6th Cross, New Kalasipalyam Layout, Bangalore, Measuring East to West Northern side 31'0" Feet and Southern side 33'0"feet and North to South Eastern side 25'6"feet and Western side 30'9" feet, totally 908 Sq.ft. And Bounded on: East by: Common Passage, West by: Corporation Property, North by: Property no 13/7 (D) belongs to Anu w/o Dinesh Shetty, South by: Property no 13/7 (F)belongs to K Shantha. **ITEM NO.2** All that piece and parcel of the Immovable House Building Property bearing No.13/7 D part, PID No. 48-92-13/7-1, 6th Cross, New Kalasipalyam Layout, Bangalore, Measuring East to West Northern side 29'6" Feet and Southern side 31'0"feet and North to South Eastern side 20'0"feet and Western side 20'0" feet, totally 606 Sq.ft. And Bounded on East by: Common Passage, West by: Corporation Property, North by: Property no 13/8 belongs to M Srinivasalu Property, South by: Property no 13/7 (E). together with all civic amenities, all rights appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded premises by E- Auction after a period of Thirty (30) days from the date of this Notice. That in our capacity as a secured creditor, we are putting our efforts to sell the mortgaged property as per the provisions of SARFAESI Act in order to liquidate the contractual dues since you have failed to repay the loan Amount as on date. That in compliance of Rule 8 & 9 Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules,2002, we have fixed Reserve Price (RP) of the security/mortgaged property at Reserve Price for **Item No1;- Rs.1,95,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Ninty Five lakhs only). Reserve Price for Item No2;- Rs.1,30,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Thirty lakhs only).**

Please take notice that the secured asset mortgaged/charged to the Ashoknagar Co-Operative Bank Ltd., as stated in the subject **shall be sold by E-Auction "AS IS WHERE IS " "AS IS WHAT IS "a " WHATEVER THERE IS " and "NO RECOURSE" basis to be held on 13.03.2025** or thereafter on some other day through / https://bankauctions.in & www.foreclosureindia.com at **11.00 A.M. to 12-00 P.M.** For further details, login to our website https://ashoknagarbank.com or please visit our H.O. bank branch and meet the Authorized Officer.

In furtherance of this notice, you may approach us, within **Thirty days** from date of this Notice for payment of defaulted Loan amount including all cost, expenses, future penalties, incidental and legal charges as per the Loan Agreement and the property shall not be put up for sale under the provisions of SARFAESI Act,2002. **However, in case you do not revert within 30 days,** Ashoknagar Co-Operative Bank Ltd., being Secured Creditor shall proceed with **the E-Auction for the sale of the property under the provisions of SARFAESI Act 2002.**

This NOTICE is being given to you in compliance of Rule 8 sub-rule 6 and Rule 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 amended as on date.

No further notice shall be henceforth be given to you. A copy of this Notice has been kept in our branch for future records and references and same is also affixed at the conspicuous part of the mortgaged property.

Place: Bangalore **For Ashoknagar Co-operative Bank Ltd.**
Date: 07-02-2025 **Authorised Officer**

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Ref: MPVL/MAT/2024-25/0011 /CALL-4 Date: 08.02.2025

SHORT TERM RE -TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited from reputed manufacturers/ authorized dealers for supply of the following materials through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP). The details are as mentioned below:

Short term Re-Tender Notification No.: MPVL/2024-25/ IND0011/Call-4 – Short term Re-Tender notification for supply of Machineries & lab Equipments for production of Paints & Allied Products. (06 Item's. Estimated value Rs.53 Lakhs).

1) HIGH SPEED DISPERSER - 30 HP IN NFLP- 1 Nos. **2)** JACKETED VESSEL–750 LITRES (SS)-1 Nos. **3)** ATTRITOR 500 LITRES-1 Nos. **4)** LET DOWN TANKS - 1000 LITRES (150 RPM)-1 Nos. **5)** PUMPING SYSTEM - 1 Nos. **6)** Color Spectrometer-1 Nos. **7)** AMC for Item No. 01 to 05

Interested parties may visit **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for participating in the tender.

Last date for submission of Tender/Bids is 17/02/2025 at 17:00:00 hrs. Technical Bid Opening on 19/02/2025 at 11:00:00 hrs.

For Mysore Paints and Varnish Ltd.,
Sd/-
Materials Manager/ TIA

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ಸಂ/ಕೃಉಮಾಸ/ಸಿರಾ/741/2024–25 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 07.02.2025

ಸಂಕ್ಷಿಪ್ತ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಸಮಿತಿ, ಸಿರಾ ವತಿಯಿಂದ ಆರ್.ಐ.ಡಿ.ಎಫ್–30ರ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ಅನುಮೋದನೆಗೊಂಡ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯನ್ನು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in ಮೂಲಕ ದ್ವಿ–ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಐಟಂವಾರು ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತಿದೆ:–

ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಹೆಸರು : 01. ಕೃಉಮಾಸ ಸಿರಾ ಸಮಿತಿಯ ಉಪ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಪ್ರಾಂಗಣವಾದ ಮಾನಂಗಿ ಉಪ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಪ್ರಾಂಗಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಆರ್.ಐ.ಡಿ.ಎಫ್–30ರ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ 2850 ಮೆ.ಟನ್ ಸಾಮರ್ಥ್ಯದ ಶೀತಲಗೃಹ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ. **ಟೆಂಡರಿಗಿಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತ** (ರೂ. ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ) : 8,66,92,011/–. **ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ):** 13,00,380/–. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರೋಸೆಸ್ಸಿಂಗ್ ಶುಲ್ಕ: ಇ–ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನ (KW-4)ರನ್ವಯ. **ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ವರ್ಗ:** ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತ 1ನೇ ದರ್ಜೆ. **ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಕಾಲಾವಧಿ:** 11 ತಿಂಗಳು (ಮಳೆಗಾಲ ಹೊರತುಪಡಿಸಿ)

1. ಬಿಡ್ ಪೂರ್ವಭಾವಿ ಸಭೆ ಮತ್ತು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತಕರಾರು ಸಮಜಾಯಿಷಿ ನೀಡುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಸ್ಥಳ : 21––02–2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ. ಆಡಳಿತ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಸಮಿತಿ ಸಿರಾ. 2. ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ 10–03–2025 ಸಂಜೆ:4–00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ. 3. ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ: 12–03–2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ. 4. ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ 14–03–2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ (ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ಅನುಮೋದನೆಯಾದ ನಂತರ). 5. 18% ಜಿ.ಎಸ್.ಟಿ. ಯನ್ನು ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕವಾಗಿ ಪಾವತಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು. 6. ಈ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯು ಆರ್.ಐ.ಡಿ.ಎಫ್–30ರ ಯೋಜನೆಯ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯಾಗಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ಈ ಸಮಿತಿಗೆ ಹಣ ಬಿಡುಗಡೆಯಾದ ನಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಬಿಲ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಪಾವತಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಷರತ್ತುಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ರಜಾ ದಿನಗಳನ್ನು ಹೊರತುಪಡಿಸಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯದ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿಯವರಿಂದ ಅಥವಾ http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಸಮಿತಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯದ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: (08135) 275231 ಯಿಂದ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳನ್ನು ಯಾವುದೇ ಕಾರಣ ನೀಡದೇ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಅಥವಾ ತಿರಸ್ಕರಿಸುವ ಹಕ್ಕನ್ನು ಸಮಿತಿಯು ಕಾಯ್ದಿರಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/–(ಆರ್.ಅನುರಾಧ)
ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ, ಕೃ.ಉ.ಮಾ.ಸ. ಸಿರಾ.

ಸಹಿ/– (ಆಶಾ.ಹೆಚ್.ಎನ್)
ಆಡಳಿತಾಧಿಕಾರಿ
ಕೃ.ಉ.ಮಾ.ಸ., ಸಿರಾ

Karnataka Solar Power Development Corporation Limited

(CIN: U40107KA2015PLC079223)
No. 6/13/1, KREDL Building, 5th Floor, 10th Block, Nagarabhavi, 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560 072.
No.: KSPDCL/F-249/2024-25 Date: 11.02.2025

INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Karnataka Solar Power Development Corporation Limited hereby invites bids for providing 36 nos. of Security Guards to 8 Nos. of 220/66/33kV substations and 01 no. of 66/11kV substation located at 2050 MW Solar Park, Pavagada, Tumakuru District. Bid documents will be available in the KPP portal **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) on or after 13.02.2025.** Details are also available in KSPDCL website.

Note: KSPDCL reserves the right to annul the bidding process and invite fresh bids without liability or obligation for such invitation and without assigning any reasons.

Sd/- Chief Executive Officer, KSPDCL

ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಸಮಿತಿ, ಧಾರವಾಡ

ಮುರುಘಾಮಠದ ಹತ್ತಿರ, ಸವದತ್ತಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ಧಾರವಾಡ–580008
Ph : 0836-2448157, 2970324 email: apmcdharwad@rediffmail.com
ಸಂ:ಕೃಮಾಇ:ಕೃಉಮಾಸ(ಧಾ): 759 /2024–25 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 05/02/2025

ಸಂಕ್ಷಿಪ್ತ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಸಮಿತಿ, ಧಾರವಾಡ ವತಿಯಿಂದ 2023–24 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ಕ್ರಿಯಾ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ಸಮಿತಿಯ ಹಳೆ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಪ್ರಾಂಗಣದಲ್ಲಿನ ರೈತಭವನ ಕಟ್ಟಡವನ್ನು ನೆಲಸಮಗೊಳಿಸಿ ವಾಣಿಜ್ಯ ಮಳಿಗೆಗಳ ಸಂಕೀರ್ಣ ನಿರ್ಮಿಸುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ (Indent No-APMC/2024-25/OW/WORK_INDENT425 ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ : **12/03/2025** ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ರವರೆಗೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ನಿಯಮ ಹಾಗೂ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಮತ್ತು ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/– (ಎ. ಪಿ. ಹಾಟೇಲ)
ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ(ಪ್ರ)
ಕೃ.ಉ.ಮಾ.ಸ. ಧಾರವಾಡ

ಸಹಿ/– (ಶ್ರೀ ಮಹಾದೇವಪ್ಪ ಡಿ. ಚಬನೂರ)
ಆಡಳಿತಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು
ಕೃ.ಉ.ಮಾ.ಸ. ಧಾರವಾಡ

ವಾಸಾಸಂ೦ಇ/ಧಾರವಾಡ/ಕೆಎಸ್ಎಂಸಿಎ/944/2024–25

Kalyana Karnataka Road Transport Corporation: Ballari Division: Ballari.

No. KKRT : BLR : TR : COMM :2735 : 2024-25 **Date: 06-02-2025.**

E-Tender Notification No: 02/2025

Applications are invited through e-procurement for selecting licensee to commercial stalls/open place coming under KKRTC Ballari Division, Ballari. Interested bidder can download notification through **"https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in"** and instructed to read and understanding the terms and conditions before submit online application. The bidders must submit their documents and EMD amount through E-Portal Only. **(DD/Cash will not accepted for EMD and other fees).** Application can submitted till **25-02-2025** at **17:00** hrs. E-Tender will be opened on **28-02-2025** after **12:00** hrs. The Corporation reserves the right to accept, reject or without any notice select the bidders or postpone or modify or cancel the e-tender/manual tender notifications. For more details visit online protal or Divisional Traffic Officer, Ballari (Mobile No. 77609 92152).

Sd/- Divisional Controller,
KKRTC, Ballari Division, Ballari.

DIPR/Ballari/896/KSMCA/2024-25

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer (SWD Mahadevapura Zone), 9th Floor, Shopping Complex, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011.

No. EE/SWD/MDP/Corr-1/2024-25 Date: 10.02.2025

CORRIGENDUM-1

Two cover System (Only through GoK KPP Portal)

Name of Work : Construction of RCC retaining wall to SWD at Medahalli and Construction of RCC Bridge to SWD across Channasandra Road near Rampura Lake.

Ref. This Office Tender Notification No. EE/SWD/MDP/TEND/02/2024-25, Dated: 26.12.2024.

This is to notify that due to technical reasons, the above notification should be read as **the New Calendar of Events is** as follows:

Calendar of Events: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 12.02.2025. (2)** Last date for receipt of tenders : **17.02.2025 upto 16.30 hrs. (3)** Date of opening of Technical bids: **19.02.2025 by 16.30 hrs. (4)** Date of opening of Financial bids: **21.02.2025 at 11.00 hrs.**

All other terms and conditions of the notification remains the same.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, SWD, Mahadevapura Zone

Karnataka Public Work Department

(A Government of KarnatakaEnterprises) O/O Executive Engineer PWD Division, Hosapete, Dist:-Vijayanagara

No:EE/PWD/Dn/Hosapete/TND/ /2024-25/ 3378 **Date:- 04-02-2025**

Short Term E-Tender Notification

Tenders are invited by undersigned on behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, PWD Division Hosapete, Vijayanagara Dist, for the works notified in the statement below. The bid shall be in One or Two Cover system namely technical bid and financial bid through KPP Portal, following the link **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sl. No	Work Indent No	Estimate Cost (Rs in Lakhs)	Sl. No	Work Indent No	Estimate Cost (Rs in Lakhs)
	THIS WORK IS RESERVED FOR SC CATOGERY				
1	PWD/2024-25/BD/WORKINDENT18102	4.80	2	PWD/2024-25/OW/WORKINDENT18279	2.50
	THIS WORK IS RESERVED FOR CATOGERY II-A				
3	PWD/2024-25/BR/WORKINDENT18695	5.00			
	General Work				
4	PWD/2024-25/BD/WORKINDENT17852	4.50	5	PWD/2024-25/BD/WORK_INDENT16046	73.00

1 Quarries of Tender On **As Per kppp Portal.** 2 Last Date of Tender Submission On **15/2/2025. @ 16.00 Hours.** 3 Tender Opening date On **17/02/2025. @ 10.30 Hours.** 4 Financial Bid Opening Date **As Per kppp Portal.**

Note: 1. Any Changes Either in Tender date or any other condition , Tenderers can view in kppp Portal.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
PWD Division Hosapete, Vijayanagara District.

DIPR/Vijayanagar/2024-25/KSMCA/RO No/520

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.
The Borrower and the public in general are here by \cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,
The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
Mr. Lakshmi Narayana Venkatesh (Appl)/ Mr. Harish V (Guarantor) Loan A/c No. 16061505280, 16061506241 & 410600005319 Symbolic possession taken on 06/02/2025	21/06/2024	Rs. 1849276.00	Schedule Property : All that piece and parcel of the House Property bearing Site No.563, Block III, Rajajinagar Extension, measuring East to West: 25'.0" feet and North to South: 40'." feet , in all measuring 1000 Square feet (94.33 Square meter), situated at Rajaji Nagar III Bloc, Bangalore and bounded on the : East by: Site No.62, West by : Site NO.564,North by: Road, South by: Site No.552
Mr. Syed Navazuddin Loan A/c No. 412100003192 Symbolic possession Taken on 06/02/2025	09/01/2024	Rs. 7177173.00	Schedule A Property : All that piece and parcel of land bearing converted Sy no 43(vide order No.ALN (S.U) SR 174/2010-11 dated 03.05.2011)measuring to an extent of 1 acre 14 Guntas out of which 04 Guntas of Kharab, situated at Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently comes under Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Limits and bounded on East by : Re-Sy No.61(Quarry) West by : Private Property North by : Sy no 44 and Road South by: Himagiri Properties(Sy No 42 & 130) SCHEDULE "B" :307.85 Sq ft undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" above. SCHEDULE "C" : All that Residential Flat No.110 in (B –Block) First Floor "Pruthvi Royal" Apartments to be constructed in Schedule "A" Property apartment measuring 1194.48 Square Feet of super built up area containing Two Bed Rooms with attached Toilets ,Living, Hall, Kitchen, Balcony floorings with vitrified tiles and inclusive of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use alongwith one covered car parking space and the said apartment is bounded by: East by : C BLOCK West by : Corridor and Flat No:101 North by : Flat No 109 South by: Open to sky.
Ms. Prijanma & Mr. Suresh Giri Loan A/c No. 411900010078 Symbolic possession Taken on 06/02/2025	29/09/2023	Rs. 10237034.00	Schedule 'A' Property : All that piece and parcel of converted properties measuring 19 Guntas in Sy No. 40/1, 4 Acres 18 Guntas in Sy.No. 40/2, 2 Acres 25 Guntas in Sy.No. 40/3, 1 Acre 19 Guntas in Sy.No. 40/4, 25 Guntas in Sy.No. 40/5 and 1 Acre 29 Guntas in Sy.No.40/6 all situated at Yelenahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and converted property measuring 4 Acres 2 Guntas in Sy.No. 49/1, situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk in all measuring 15 Acres 17 Guntas converted vide official memorandum bearing No.ALN(SB)SR/13/2010-11 dated 11/06/2010, No.ALN/SR/(S)/371/2002-03 dated 27/02/2003, No. ALN/ SR (S) 353/2003-04 dated 07/02/2004, No.ALN/SR/(S)/372/2002-03 dated 27/02/2003, No.ALN/SR/(S)/351/2003-04 dated 07/01/2004, No.ALN/SR/(S)/352/2003-04 dated 07/01/2004, No.ALN/SR/(S)/370/2002-03 dated 27/02/2003 and No.ALN/SB/(SR)/31/2009-10 dated 02/09/2009 all issued by the Deputy Commissioner (Revenue) Bangalore District, Bangalore bearing Municipal No.21/40/1,2,3,4,5,6 & 49/1 now within the limits of Begur Sub Division, BBMP and commonly bounded on: East by: Peripheral Road, West by: 61 Ft. Wide Road, North by : Tank and Private Land, South by: Private Land. Schedule 'B' Property : (Property conveyed under this deed) 512 Sq.ft., of undivided share of right, title and interest in land in Schedule "A' Property. Schedule 'C' Property : (Description of the apartment conveyed under this deed) All that piece and parcel of Apartment bearing No. E2-1405, (i.e., 13th Floor apartment numbered starting with the series 14…) with Three Bed rooms, measuring 1535 Sq.ft. of Super built up area (i.e., 1228 Sq.ft. of Built up area) situated on Thirteenth Floor of "Block E2"" of "SNN RAJ SERENITY" built/constructed on Schedule 'A' Property, together with right to park one (1) car in open parking slot No. OCP-41.

Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer**
Date: 11.02.2025 **LIC Housing Finance Limited**

Form No. INC-19

MANIPAL EDUCATION AND HEALTHCARE INITIATIVE
CIN: U73200KA2007NPL043983
Regd. Office: No.24/1, 15th Floor
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Bengaluru - 560 001, Karnataka
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Notice

[Pursuant to rule 22 of the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014]

1. Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of sub-section (4) of section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013, an application has been made to the Regional Director, South East Region for revocation of license granted under Section 8(5) to Manipal Education and Healthcare Initiative ("the Company") and conversion of the Company into a "Private Limited Company" within the meaning of section 2(68) of the Companies Act, 2013.
2. The principal objects of the company are as follows:
   To establish, undertake, facilitate and carry on experiments, tests, research and development in the areas of stem cells, life sciences, biotechnology, molecular research and to conduct trials in the field of clinical research, genetics, stem cell research and technology.
   To provide all or any types, descriptions, classifications, kinds, forms and varieties of services, including but not limited to information technology services, communication services, information technology enabled services, call center services, customer interaction services, back-office services, contact center services, customer center services, hot desk services, help line services, technical support services, reservation related services, sales center services, content development services, geographic information system services, human resource services, insurance claim processing services, website services, remote education services, data search services, market research services, management services, marketing services, advertising services, services relating to sales, distribution services, contractual services, support services, administrative services, managerial services, business services, technical services, development services, organizational services, technological services, engineering services, maintenance services, training services, education services, information services, systems, software services, knowledge based services, planning services, research services and all or any types, descriptions, classifications, kinds, forms and varieties of support and/or solutions, to all or any forms, types, descriptions and varieties of corporations, trusts, firms, societies, associations, agencies, individuals, organizations, departments, divisions, commissions, boards, authorities or other entities whatsoever.
   To carry on the business of healthcare services, establishing, promoting and maintaining hospitals, multi-specialty health hospitals, ICCUs, healthcare centers, nature care centers, polyclinics, surgical centers, laboratories and research centers, diagnostic centers, fitness centers, healthcare townships with pathology, radiology, micro-biology, bio-chem

Boxing body set to take IOC to court over Oly gender row

The International Boxing Association said on Monday it is to take legal action against the International Olympic Committee (IOC) over the inclusion of Algeria's Imane Khelif and Taiwan's Lin Yu-ting at last year's Olympic Games. The two female boxers had been excluded from the IBA's 2023 World Championships after the fighters failed gender eligibility tests but the IOC cleared them and both went on to win gold medals in Paris.

Vintage Jadeja back to the fore

Veteran spinner doing what he does best and that's a massive boost for India ahead of CT

GOMESH S @ Cuttack

RAVINDRA Jadeja was at the top of his mark at the Barabati Stadium on Sunday afternoon. Taking guard in front of him was England batter Harry Brook. The Indian spinner, playing only his second ODI since the home World Cup in 2023, was in his zone, a place where he positions himself in the realm of super-humans.

When in flow, Jadeja doesn't take more than two minutes to get through his over. It starts with the gripping of the ball in the left hand, followed by a short glance around to check the field before walking a few steps to release the ball like he has a thread attached to it. When he has someone who is susceptible against spinners, he repeats it all over again five more times, all in a span about 90 seconds. The 24th over of the England innings on Sunday was one such instance.

Brook kicked off the over with a front foot defence, playing the ball back to Jadeja. By the time he was done adjusting his gloves, Jadeja was waiting at the top of his mark, ready to walk in again. Next ball, Jadeja kept it to the stumps. Brook blocked again. Jadeja walked in. Brook worked it to leg side. Blocked. Defended. Pushed to off-side. Brook hardly had time to think, take stock of the field to try and attack. Jadeja was right in front of him. The 36-year-old was at his best not just on Sunday but throughout the ongoing series against England. If his figures of 3/26 in the first ODI showed what Jadeja can do on a surface that had some help, on Sunday, bowling on a black soil surface that was by and large good to bat on, the veteran was the only bowler to operate at less than four runs per over. He finished with 3/35, accounting for Ben Duckett, Joe Root and Jamie Overton.

While the 36-year-old is still the number one left-arm spinner in Test cricket for India, white-ball formats has been a different story. Over the years, despite remaining a crucial part of the set up, Jadeja's powers, especially with the bat, seemed to be dripping. And it showed in the way the selectors and team management slowly shifted towards Axar Patel, who at this point is the T20I vice-captain and perhaps the first-choice spinner in ODIs.

And yet, here was Jadeja showing once again what an asset he could be in the one white-ball format he plays at the international level. The senior spinner credited the number of overs he sent down in the couple of Ranji Trophy games he played for Saurashtra for getting into the zone before the England ODIs. "It feels really good," Jadeja said when asked about his bowling in the 50-over format. "I am playing (ODIs) after almost two years... after the 2023 World Cup. In this format, there's a need to adapt quickly. I believe playing in the one domestic game helped me, because in that game I bowled 30 overs because of which my rhythm was intact. I try to bowl almost the same line and length in one-dayers like I do in Tests. So the continuity was there because of the domestic game I played, and it helped me," he explained.

In the Indian squad for the Champions Trophy, Jadeja was the last name in the fifteen. Ahead of him were Axar, Kuldeep Yadav and Washington Sundar. Axar has also seemed to have moved up the pecking order especially the team management looking to use him as a floater to counter opposition spinners. Which meant, Jadeja is a No 8 bat in this playing XI. To put it into context, he bats at No 6/7 more often than not in Test cricket. There have been occasions where he has been used at No 5 too. That said, the veteran is still invaluable on the field as he is still the most athletic fielder and has the safest hands while marshalling the boundary. And when there is even the tiniest assistance from the surface that is on the slower side, he becomes the X-factor. His consistent line and length to the stumps with the odd ball that turns would mean the opponents more often than not will be cautious against him through the middle-overs.

At the Champions Trophy in Dubai, Jadeja is going to be crucial to India's plans over the next month or so.

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Can Root be the answer to England's ODI struggles?

GOMESH S @ Cuttack

WHEN Joe Root was trapped on the pads trying to play Ravindra Jadeja off the backfoot in Nagpur, it seemed like he had joined an already struggling England batting line-up who hadn't been able to take on the Indian spinners.

But before that innings, Root hadn't played a single One Day International in over 14 months. His last outing in the 50-over format was against Pakistan during the 2023 Men's ODI World Cup in Kolkata. Understandably, he was a bit rusty. Fortunately, it was just that. In the time since the ODI World Cup, Root has not just piled on runs for fun in Test cricket but also has climbed several peaks. By and large, he had been the best run-getter in the world in this period while also becoming the best England has ever produced. At the other end of the spectrum, he was playing T20 leagues for fun. In fact, even before coming to India, Root was in South Africa, playing for Paarl Royals in the SA20 League.

While he has a pragmatic understanding on where he stands as a T20I batter, there is no question about Root's credentials in ODIs. If anything, he was perhaps the missing piece of the troubling approach England has taken in the format.

And it showed on Sunday as Root portrayed a sense of comfort in not just handling Jadeja, Varun Chakravarthy and Axar Patel but also keeping the scoreboard moving. Even when someone like Brook was struggling to rotate the strike against Jadeja, Root kept pushing for the quick singles and doubles as he always has. When he was batting against spinners, it seemed as if his feet were in auto drive mode. He used the crease to the fullest, judged the lengths with ease while moving forward and backward to pick up the singles. In a knock that lasted 72 balls, Root ran 37 singles and four doubles apart from the six fours he hit on his way to a quiet 69.

Right from landing in India, England captain Jos Buttler had been talking about one thing. To keep the momentum going, and put India under pressure for prolonged periods. And the key to doing that in this format is perhaps having someone like Root bat through the innings while the rest express themselves and take calculated risks.

That is what made the England team so successful between 2015 and 2019. The Jason Roys and Jonny Bairstows and Ben Stokes might have grabbed headlines but behind them was a Root who scored 12 hundreds and 25 fifties at an average of 58.75 and a strike rate of 90.83 during that World Cup cycle. It is also telling that Root hasn't scored a single century (he averages 30.16 post-2019 WC) since which sort of coincides with the slump England have been through since the home WC triumph in this particular format. Which is why, despite Root getting out at the wrong time in Cuttack, him getting some runs and spending time in the middle would give England some confidence. For he will be the anchor around whom the rest of the batting line-up tries to be explosive. "He's been someone we always rely on, can play that role to bat a lot of times. He doesn't face many dot balls, but he's always scoring at a good rate and he's a very consistent player. So, yeah, (he is a) really important guy in our team," Buttler said in Cuttack on Sunday.

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Barca's Robert Lewandowski celebrates after scoring against Sevilla | AFP

Barcelona thrash Sevilla in La Liga

AGENCIES @ Seville

BARCELONA cut the gap on La Liga's top two with an entertaining 4-1 win over Sevilla on Sunday, despite playing out the final half-hour with 10 men after Fermin Lopez's red card. Robert Lewandowski, Lopez, Raphinha and Eric Garcia struck for the Catalans, who were able to capitalise on leaders Real Madrid's 1-1 draw with second-placed Atletico Madrid on Saturday.

Ange hopeful despite loss

BIRMINGHAM: Ange Postecoglou insisted Tottenham can still salvage their dismal season despite completing a miserable week by crashing out (2-1 loss) of the FA Cup at Aston Villa. Marcus Rashford made first appearance for Villa since completing a loan move from Manchester United.

EXPRESS READ

Rudrankksh, Sift win back-to-back trials

NEW DELHI: Maharashtra's Rudrankksh Patil and Punjab's Sift Kaur Samra won back-to-back national selection trials for Group A shooters, emerging victorious in the men's 10m air rifle and women's 50m rifle 3 positions T2 matches, respectively, here. Both had won the T1 trials.

Gukesh bows out of Hamburg chess meet

HAMBURG: World champion D Gukesh bowed out of Freestyle Grand Slam chess after losing his second straight quarterfinal game against Fabiano Caruana of the United States here. Having lost the first game with white pieces, Gukesh did not last long against the American Grandmaster in a must-win tie.

Djokovic 'almost 100 per cent healed'

BELGRADE: Novak Djokovic said Monday his leg injury, which shattered his Australian Open dream, was "almost 100 percent healed" and he was ready to aim for his 100th ATP title in Doha this month. "There's no longer any muscle tear. The injury is almost 100 per cent healed," he said.

Kerala take 1-run lead, Paras steps up for J&K

ENS/AGENCIES @ Pune

Mumbai's Suryakumar Yadav hit 70 against Haryana on Day 3 | PTI

ON a dramatic day of cricket, Kerala not only managed to hold on after losing nine wickets with 80 runs behind in the first innings, but also took a crucial one-run lead against Jammu and Kashmir. It could not have been more gripping with J&K needing only one wicket to take the lead in the first innings when Kerala started the day on overnight 200 runs. Yet Kerala staged a comeback in their Ranji Trophy quarterfinal tie on Monday. Salman Nizar scored an unbeaten 112 and added 81 runs for the last wicket along with Basil Thampi.

On the closing hours of the day, skipper Paras Dogra lifted Jammu & Kashmir to 180 for three for a healthy lead. Dogra was batting on 73 at stumps, and wicketkeeper Kanhaiya Wadhawan was giving him captain company on 42, as J&K stretched their lead to 179 runs with seven wickets in hand.

Gujarat in pole position

RAJKOT: Jaymeet Patel completed a hundred in the morning but it was keeper-batter Urvil Patel, who knocked the stuffing out of hosts Saurashtra with a superb 140, as Gujarat inched closer to the last-four stage. Having dismissed Saurashtra for 216, Gujarat finished their first essay on a mammoth 511, a lead of 295.

Mumbai high with SKY

KOLKATA: Suryakumar Yadav roared back to form with a fluent 70, forging a match-turning 129-run partnership with Ajinkya Rahane (88 batting), as Mumbai tightened their grip over Haryana on day three. Their dominant batting display, following Shardul Thakur's five-wicket burst in the morning, propelled Mumbai to 278 for four in 67 overs at stumps, a commanding lead of 292 runs..

Vidarbha take command

NAGPUR: Vidarbha pacer Aditya Thakare picked up his sixth five-wicket haul in first-class cricket, while Yash Rathod struck a half-century in the second innings as last year's runners-up Vidarbha took a 297-run lead against Tamil Nadu.

BRIEF SCORES: **J&K** 280 & 180/3 in 57 ovs (Paras batting 73, Wadhawan batting 42; MD Nidheesh 2/45) **vs Kerala** 281 in 85 ovs (Salman 112, Saxena 67; Nabi 6/53); **Vidarbha** 353 & 169 for 5 in 62 ovs (Karun 29, Rathod 55 n.o; Sai Kishore 2/47) **vs TN** 225 in 64.3 ovs (C Andre Siddharth 65; Pradosh 48; A Thakare 5/34). **Saurashtra:** 216 & 33/0 in 16 ovs **vs Gujarat** 511 in 159.1 ovs (Jaymeet 103, Urvil 140; D Jadeja 5/120; **Mumbai:** 315 & 278/4 in 67 ovs (Rahane 88 batting, Suryakumar 70, S Dube 30 batting) **vs Haryana** 301 in 84.5 ovs (Ankit 136; Shardul 6/58).

Athletes participate in the women's 3000m steeplechase event on Monday | PTI

Meena shatters pole vault national record

AGENCIES @ Dehradun

MADHYA Pradesh's Dev Kumar Meena smashed the national record in men's pole vault event while winning the gold medal with an effort of 5.32m on the third day of athletics competition at the National Games here Monday.

Of the eight gold medals on offer on the day, Punjab secured three, while Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Services, Tamil Nadu and host Uttarakhand took one each. The 19-year-old Meena bettered the earlier national record of 5.31m set by Subramani Siva while winning the gold in the 2022 Games in Gujarat. G Reegan (5m) of Tamil Nadu and Kuldeep Kumar (5m) of Uttar Pradesh won the silver and bronze respectively. Meena had won a bronze medal in the Asian U20 Championship last year with an effort of 5.10m. He had also won gold in the Senior Federation Cup National Championships in Bhubaneswar last year.

His earlier personal best was 5.20m while winning the gold at the Indian Open U23 Competition in Patna last year.

Meanwhile, Anushka Yadav of Uttar Pradesh bettered the women's hammer throw Games record while winning gold with an effort of 62.89m.

OTHER RESULTS

Men's 3000m Steeplechase: Gold: Sumit Kumar (Services) - 8:46.26; Silver: Rohit Verma (Services) - 8:49.01; Bronze: Shankar Lal Swami (Haryana) - 8:49.39. Men's 4x400m Relay: Gold: Tamil Nadu (Gitson Dharmaray, Akash Babu, Vasan, Aswin Krishna) - 3:10.61; Silver: Uttarakhand (Pravesh Roshwal, Prakhar Sharma, Sahil Malik, Anu Kumar) - 3:10.85; Bronze: Services (Nowajis Shaikh, Thomas Mathew, Shubham Deshmukh, Rince Joseph) - 3:10.90.
Women's 3000m Steeplechase: Gold: Ankita (Uttarakhand) - 9:53.63; Silver: Manju Yadav (Madhya Pradesh) - 10:15.70; Bronze: Rebi Pal (Uttar Pradesh) - 10:37.15. Women's Triple Jump: Gold: Niharika Vashisht (Punjab) - 13.37m; Silver: NV Sheena (Kerala) - 13.19m; Bronze: Sandra Babu (Kerala) - 13.12m.
Women's 4x400m Relay: Gold: Punjab (Ramandeep Kaur, Twinkle Chaudhary, Kiranpal Kaur, Rashdeep Kaur) - 3:41.77; Silver: Karnataka (D Gowda, Arpitha EB, Jyothika, Prajna K) - 3:43.89; Bronze: Haryana (Tamanna, Asha, Drishti, Manisha) - 3:45.83.

ODISHA EARN VITAL POINT

AGENCIES @ Bhubaneswar

ODISHA FC held Punjab FC to a 1-1 draw in the Indian Super League (ISL) at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar on Monday.

A red card in the 44th minute to Rahul KP, pegged Odisha FC on the backfoot as Petros Giakoumakis opened the scoring in the first half. The second half saw Isak Vanlalruatfela's strike level things up for the Juggernauts as they eventually salvaged a point from a tricky fixture. Despite the draw, both teams are in playoff contention heading into the rest of the matches.

Mouth-watering contest

Manchester City will take on Real Madrid for the fourth consecutive season in the Champions League. The sides face off earlier than expected this time in the play-off round, with the first leg in Manchester on Tuesday. A look...

Now or never for City

It's a do-or-die battle for Man City, who are looking to salvage their season. So used to relentless success during a glittering managerial career, Pep Guardiola has appeared powerless to halt a drastic decline. Up against the kings of Europe, City players need to conjure moments of magic to get the desired outcome. New signings Omar Marmoush, Abdukodir Khusanov and Gonzalez will be hoping to provide that along with other stars like **Erling Haaland** and Phil Foden. The return of Ruben Dias, Nathan Ake and Jeremy Doku is a big boost.

Real threat

Madrid have their own injury troubles without defenders Dani Carvajal, Eder Militao, David Alaba and Antonio Rudiger. Real also lost three times in the league phase themselves to Lille, AC Milan and Liverpool to miss out on a top-eight finish that would have secured direct entry to the last 16. But the 15-time winners are the masters at peaking when it matters in the Champions League. With the likes of in-form **Kylian Mbappe,** Vinicius Junior, Rodrygo and Jude Bellingham in their arsenal, they'll be a hard team to stop.

FIXTURES (1:30 am unless specified): Brest vs PSG (11:15 pm); Sporting vs Dortmund, Juventus vs PSV, Man City vs Real.

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GROWING IMPACT

More sixes & fours: India footprint in global cricketing event

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Johannesburg

OVER the past week or so, several Indian Premier League (IPL) franchise owners have expanded their global footprint. Mumbai Indians, cricket's answer to the City Football Group, picked up a 49% share of the Oval Invincibles, a side in The Hundred. Sun Group, who owns Sunrisers Hyderabad in the IPL, picked up a 100% stake in Northern Superchargers, another side in the same tournament.

Watching on from afar was Graeme Smith, SA20's commissioner. Of course, South Africa's premier T20 meet is no stranger to Indian ownership. All the six teams in the league have significant Indian interest. When the league first opened its doors to foreign investment, did the former South African captain feel the need to balance investment while retaining local culture? "In the beginning, may be I was a little nervous about how they would be received," Smith told select media during the recently-concluded third edition of the event. "But I look at it differently. We got six franchises that are equally competitive. They look after the players well, they grow talent and they want to win. They also bring a level of excellence to South African cricket so that means bringing in the best coaches and physios... may be that wasn't the case before. "This kind of professionalism," Smith said, "is benefitting our game. They have also really made an effort to understand the culture and the people." The 44-year-old, who featured in the IPL for Pune Warriors and Rajasthan Royals, said that getting IPL owners on board was one of the reasons why South Africa's latest effort (their two earlier iterations failed) at creating a sustainable T20 league hit the jackpot. "Went with an entirely different model than what Cricket South Africa had tried in the past," the commissioner said.

IPL owners in the SA20

Chennai Super Kings: Joburg Super Kings
Delhi Capitals: Pretoria Capitals
Sunrisers Hyderabad: Sunrisers Eastern Cape
Lucknow Super Giants: Durban's Super Giants
Mumbai Indians: Mumbai Indians Cape Town
Rajasthan Royals: Paarl Royals

"We wanted to attract really competitive franchise ownership and we were fortunate that IPL franchises were looking to grow at the time so we managed to attract... in franchise cricket, the best around the world. They are experienced at running cricket and all want to win. They are equally competitive and brilliant at managing their own systems and teams. It's been a huge asset."

When a similar question (reason why SA20 has taken off when compared to its predecessors) was put to AB de Villiers — a part of the commentary team for the tournament — he said it had everything to do with Smith's 'leadership' and his 'networking' abilities. "I have said this so many times," De Villiers told select media. "Smith has played a big role in this, networking, connections and leadership qualities he has got... understanding that there's a friendship between India and South Africa. Could have gone the ego route or we could have friends around the world and make things bigger and better. I think that's probably the main reason. Graeme has played the game before, he understands what a tournament should look like." This tournament, Smith claimed, contributed 4 million ZAR (South African rand) to the economy last year. "I think they (Indian ownership) have been amazing," he said.

This kind of ownership model has attracted flak, and continues to attract flak, especially in the world of professional football. In cricket, though, it seems to be the way of the future.

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Universal newborn screening programmes have been established to identify hypothyroidism at birth, allowing for the prompt introduction of thyroxine treatment if needed and preventing potential growth retardation

THYROID DISORDERS ON RISE IN INDIA

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @New Delhi

PRIYA Kapoor (name changed), a working professional from Delhi, was pregnant for the first time at 33. As if the stress of being pregnant was not enough, she was diagnosed with hypothyroidism – a condition where the thyroid gland doesn't produce enough hormones, and one feels tired or gains weight unexpectedly.

She was advised to follow a nutritious diet, engage in light exercises like walking, and practice stress-relieving techniques such as meditation and deep breathing. Along with these lifestyle modifications, she was prescribed thyroid hormone replacement therapy and was encouraged to consume iodised salt, as iodine deficiency is a common cause of thyroid imbalances. All these steps helped her immensely as, in November 2024, she delivered a healthy baby without any complications.

According to Dr Manju Gupta, senior consultant, obstetrician and gynaecologist, Motherhood Hospitals, Noida, who treated Priya, in many cases, hypothyroidism during pregnancy is temporary and resolves after childbirth. In Priya's case, it was the same.

More common in women

Experts say that pregnancy-induced thyroid disorders, gestational diabetes mellitus and gestational hypertension are common problems in women during gestational period – the time between conception and birth when a baby grows in the mother's womb. Studies across the country have given an 8-15% prevalence of thyroid disorders in pregnancy.

However, in the last five years, experts say they are seeing a sharp rise in thyroid cases, in general, in the country. "I am seeing 10-15 women, aged 33-45, monthly with thyroid problems, mainly hypothyroidism," Dr Gupta said. She adds that thyroid problems are rising in pregnant women and women in the reproductive age group of 25 to 45 years.

The word 'thyroid' is not a disease, it is the name of a small, butterfly-shaped gland in the neck. It is a part of one's endocrine system and controls many of the body's essential functions by producing and releasing thyroid hormones like thyroxine (T4) and triiodothyronine (T3). These two hormones regulate metabolism, energy levels, reproduction, and bodily functions. When the gland produces less hormone it is called hypothyroidism (underactive thyroid) and if it makes more it is called hyperthyroidism (overactive thyroid).

Apart from these common disorders, there are more uncommon problems like thyroid nodules and thyroid cancers as well.

Agreeing that thyroid issues during pregnancy have been on the rise recently, Dr Kavya Krishnakumar, consultant obstetrician and gynaecologist at Motherhood Hospital, Chennai, said that as women age and have children later in life, the risk of thyroid issues during pregnancy increases. "Pregnancy naturally affects thyroid hormone levels due to the body's changing needs to support the developing baby. In some cases, the thyroid gland is unable to adjust to these changes, which can lead to either hypothyroidism or hyperthyroidism." Both conditions can have serious consequences on the health of the mother and baby, including an increased risk of complications such as preterm birth, low birth weight, and developmental issues in the baby.

Also, it could lead to an increased chance of miscarriage and increased chances of ICU admissions. In the mother, it increases the risk of preeclampsia (a serious pregnancy condition that involves high blood pressure and other symptoms), post-partum haemorrhage, maternal heart rhythm abnormalities, and even heart failure in undiagnosed untreated cases.

"Nutritional deficiencies, such as a lack of iodine or iron, can also contribute to thyroid problems, making it crucial for pregnant women to monitor their thyroid health and seek timely treatment if needed," Dr Krishnakumar said. It has also been seen that consumption of processed food is causing hormonal fluctuations, so avoiding them is the best bet. Screening before planning pregnancy, especially if there is a family history, is a good idea, says Dr Sridevi Paladugu, consultant endocrinologist, Apollo Hospitals, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad.

Rise in cases

Thyroid disorders are increasingly being diagnosed across India. This rise isn't necessarily about more people getting sick, but more about improved medical awareness and diagnostics, says Dr Usha Menon, Clinical Professor of endocrinology and Diabetes at Amrita Hospital in Kochi, Kerala.

Hypothyroidism is significantly more prevalent at about 3%, and hyperthyroidism is less than 2%. "The prevalence of thyroid disorders in India varies by age, gender, and state. Historically, iodine deficiency was a major cause. Thyroid gland swelling called 'goitre' is seen in about 4-7% of the Indian population," Dr Menon added. Studies indicate that thyroid disorders affect about 10-12% of the Indian population. "India has become iodine replete, which reduces the chances of iodine deficiency disorders to a large extent but has reportedly increased the chances of autoimmune thyroid disorders," said Dr Paladugu.

This rise has many reasons, mainly sedentary lifestyles, poor dietary habits, rising stress levels, and environmental factors like iodine deficiency and pollution.

Women more prone

Women are more prone to thyroid disorders than men who are largely protected from thyroid problems due to their Y chromosome. Studies have suggested women are nearly five to eight times more likely to develop thyroid imbalances.

"This is due to hormonal fluctuations during puberty, pregnancy, and menopause, which influence thyroid function. Autoimmune disorders, such as Hashimoto's thyroiditis, also predominantly affect women," added Dr Krishnakumar. So, how do you spot one suffering from thyroid? The symptoms of both hyperthyroidism and hypothyroidism are different. In hypothyroidism, a person may feel fatigued, gain unexplained weight, feel depressed, and suffer from slower than usual heart rate, while in hyperthyroidism, it is the exact opposite. A person might feel unexplained weight loss and have a faster-than-usual heart rate.

Treatment

Thyroid function disorders can be diagnosed with blood tests. Proper diagnosis is the key to effective treatment of thyroid disorders. Depending on the type of disorder and the patient's symptoms, treatment involves oral medications. While hypothyroidism is managed with hormone replacement therapy, hyperthyroidism may require medications, radioactive iodine, or surgery.

"Once a diagnosis is confirmed, healthcare professionals can prescribe appropriate medications, such as synthetic thyroid hormones for hypothyroidism, antithyroid medications, and beta-blockers for hyperthyroidism," said Dr Menon. These medications help restore the balance of thyroid hormones in the body, alleviating symptoms and improving overall well-being.

Monitoring thyroid hormone levels is another important aspect of managing thyroid disorders. "By monitoring hormone levels through periodic blood tests, doctors can ensure the treatment is effective and make any necessary adjustments. This ongoing evaluation helps maintain optimal hormone balance and minimises the risk of complications," said the doctor from Kochi.

Universal newborn screening programmes have been established to identify hypothyroidism at birth, allowing for the prompt introduction of thyroxine treatment if needed and preventing potential growth retardation. Untreated thyroid disorders can lead to serious health issues, including heart and nervous problems, digestive, infertility, goitre, musculoskeletal systems, developmental delays in children, and, in severe cases, life-threatening conditions like myxedema coma. In children, early detection of hypothyroidism is crucial to prevent severe impairments in mental and physical growth.

As prevention is better than cure, Dr Krishnakumar also suggested preventing thyroid by balancing lifestyle with mindful dietary choices. A thyroid-friendly Indian diet should include iodine-rich foods like fish and dairy (curd, paneer) and iron sources such as spinach, jaggery, and lentils.

Selenium from nuts and seeds, and zinc from pumpkin and cashews also support thyroid function. "Limiting processed foods, excessive soy, and raw cruciferous vegetables is best. It should be combined with stress management and regular check-ups. Consult your doctor before making any dietary changes, as the diet depends on the severity and type of thyroid condition," Dr Krishnakumar said.

India needs to invest more in mental health

Mental ill-health is increasing globally, and India is no exception. The need of the hour for India is to invest in mental health manpower, services and research, to protect its tomorrow, said **Dr Koushik Sinha Deb,** additional professor, department of psychiatry, AIIMS. In an interview with Kavita Bajeli-Datt, he says people, especially in cities, nowadays are more open about discussing mental health issues, but the associated stigma may not have come down. Edited excerpts:

INTERVIEW
DR KOUSHIK SINHA DEB

● What is the current status of mental health in India?

Mental ill-health is increasing globally, and India is no exception. Mental resilience is being eroded by social instability, war and economic insecurities. The term 'mental health crisis' has jaded by overuse, a fact which is alarming by itself. Mental health has become common. According to national survey data, the lifetime prevalence was 13.7%, while substance use disorders was 22.4%. It means that it is more common than heart diseases (13-15%), diabetes (8.3%), cancer (all) (11%), active tuberculosis (1-3%). In India, around 70-92% of people with mental disorders do not get treatment. The government spends 0.05% of GDP of India, and 1.11% of the Budget (2024-25) on mental health. In comparison, developed countries spend 5% and 18% of their GDP on mental health. However, there is hope. The current government has initiated several flagship activities on mental health. Notably, the 'National Tele Mental Health Programme' was launched on October 10, 2022, to improve access to mental health care services across the nation.

● Do we have enough trained mental health professionals?

India currently has an enormous disparity between the number of mental health professionals required and trained. Although the training of psychiatrists has significantly increased in the last five years, the number of other mental health professionals remains very low. Mental health services require a team of professionals other than doctors for effectively delivering services, particularly in the community. International guidelines suggest the need for around 10 times more mental health professionals per psychiatrist. The scarcity is accentuated by three additional factors. First is that psychiatrists/psychologists remain concentrated in major cities. Second, a global shortage of mental health professionals results in significant pull on trained manpower (doctors, psychologists and nurses) to migrate abroad, for better pay and quality of life; and third, most hospitals do not have adequate posts for clinical psychologist, psychiatric nurses or social workers.

● Are we as a society becoming more open to talk about mental health issues now?

Somewhat, and in a complicated way. Compared to our training days in the 1990s and 2000s, currently, at least in cities, people are more open to discussing mental health issues. However, there is a possibility that the stigma may not have reduced, but may have just changed colour. People are ready to talk, but acceptance of medications or long term treatment remains low. Illnesses like depression and anxiety are less concealed, thanks to massive public health campaigns. However, serious psychiatric disorders like psychosis are still swept under the table and never talked about. Additionally, information often overwhelms truth in the age of social media, where 10 second clips provide one-minute solutions to serious life problems.

(Read the full interview on www.newindianexpress.com)

DON'T TAKE YOUR BONES FOR GRANTED

RISHITA KHANNA @Bengaluru

DID you know that our bones constantly renew themselves, with old bones being remodelled as new ones every 10 years? This highlights just how important it is to give our bones the care they need. Bones are the silent supporters of our body, working tirelessly to keep us standing tall, moving, and living our daily lives. Yet, we often take them for granted — until something goes wrong. From the moment we are born, our bones are constantly changing, growing, and adapting. But just like muscles, they need proper care to remain strong and resilient.

Understanding bone health is the key to maintaining an active and pain-free lifestyle. Factors such as age, genetics, diet, physical activity, and lifestyle choices play a significant role in bone health. For example, a diet rich in calcium and vitamin D, along with weight-bearing exercises, can help promote bone strength. On the other hand, neglecting bone health can lead to conditions like osteoporosis, where bones become fragile and prone to fractures. Dr MS Somanna, lead consultant, joint replacement and arthroscopic surgery, Aster CMI Hospital, Bengaluru, highlighted that bones give the body shape, protect internal organs from injury, and store important minerals, calcium, and phosphorus required for many processes in the body. However, with age, decline in bone health seems to be inevitable as part of a complicated web of factors to which counteracting becomes vital knowledge for every individual.

XPLAINER

Bone quality is dependent on a phenomenon known as bone remodelling, where bone tissue that has seen its days is replaced with fresh tissue. Factors affecting the process include age, diet, physical activity, and genetic qualities. In old age, sometimes bone loss may exceed the formation rates, and this will lead to osteopenia and osteoporosis- increasing the fragility of bones that may predispose them to fractures, Dr Somanna explained. "Appropriate intake of calcium and vitamin D is extremely important for bone health. Calcium is the major mineral found in the bone, while vitamin D enables calcium absorption through the intestines," he said, adding that dairy and dark leafy green vegetables provide good amounts of calcium, while vitamin D may be obtained from exposure to sunlight and fortified foods.

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I/we, R Rajarao & R Devaki residing at No.5, Bharani Akash, 1743, 18th Main Road, Anna Nagar, Chennai - 600040 the registered holder(s) of the under mentioned shares held in the above said company, hereby give notice that the share certificate (s) in respect of the said shares have been lost and I have applied to the Company for issue of duplicate certificate(s). Any person having claim in respect of the said sharess hould lodge such claims with the Company at its above referred address **within 15 days** from this date, else the Company will proceed to issue duplicate certificate(s) and no further claim will be entertained by the Company thereafter.

Folio No.	Certificate No.	Distinctive No.	No. of Shares
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	4783	47990401 - 47990800	400

Date : 10-02-2025
Place : Bangalore

Name of Shareholder
R Rajarao & R Devaki

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer,
Project Division, R.R. Nagara Zone, Bengaluru - 560098.

No: BBMP/EE(Proj)/RRN/TEN/06/2024-25 Date: 10-02-2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)

Tenders are invited by the Executive Engineer (Project Division), R.R. Nagara Zone, BBMP, Bengaluru for the Services mentioned below under the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal through Electronic Two Cover Tendering System in prescribed format from the registered Service Provider / Contractors of BBMP or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD/Railways/MES or any State Government Organizations.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1	Construction of Hi-Tech Toilets Block, Rain Water Harvesting and Other Allied Works in BBMP Schools / Colleges Premises at Herohalli in Ward No. 72 at Yeshwanthapura Constituency. **Estimated Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 165.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 2,48,000/-**

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 21-02-2025. 2)** Last Date and Time for Tender Queries: **24-02-2025 at 3.00 PM. 3)** Pre Bid Meeting will be held on **28-02-2025 at 3.00 PM. at the Office of the Executive Engineer (Project), BEML 3rd Stage, Nehru Main Road, R.R. Nagara. 4)** Last Date for Submission of Tender Document: **12-03-2025 upto 4.00 PM. 5)** Date of Opening of Technical Bid: **13-03-2025 at 4.30 PM. 6)** Date of Opening of Financial Bid: **Will be intimated to the Technically Qualified Bidders.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer
Project Division, R.R. Nagara Zone, BBMP.

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Web:www.grse.in (CIN: L35111WB1934GOI007891)

E-TENDER NOTICE FOR ONLINE BIDDING
NIT NO.: SCC/NK/NIC/OT/PLUMBING/065/RA-3146
SUB : BIENNIAL RATE CONTRACT FOR FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION OF PIPES OF VARIOUS SYSTEMS
Due Date: 04 Mar 2025 (12:00 noon)

1. **Details will be available in e-procurement portal https://eprocuregrse.co.in;** Central Public Procurement Portal **https://eprocure.gov.in/cppp/ and GRSE website https://grse.in/tender-published/**
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Sl No	BRANCH NAME (CODE)	ACCOUNT NO	AMOUNT
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No: BRIMS/Cathlab/EST-1&2/Cr-/2024-25 Date: 06.02.2025

NOTIFICATION

Sub: BRIMS Super Specialty Cardiac Unit, BRIMS Bidar Notification for Various posts (Contract basis) walk-in-interview -Reg
Ref: GO No: MED 638 MSF 2023 Dated: 03.09.2024

With reference to the above notification, regarding conduct of walk-in-interview for various posts in BRIMS Super Specialty Cardiac Unit scheduled on 18.02.2025 at 08.00 am in BRIMS college building 4th Floor Lecture Hall.
Candidates who have applied for the various posts on contract basis need to present the requisite documents in original for scrutiny.

Notice to the Applicants:

1. Applicants appearing for interview should present with all required documents in original for scrutiny between 08.00am to 11.00am. Late requests will not be considered.

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DAY'S DIARY

Fab four's first

On this day in 1963, The Beatles recorded 10 songs that would appear on their debut album *Please Please Me*, at EMI's Abbey Road Studios

ABOUT THE BEATLES

They were rock music's leading innovators in the 1960s. Songs such as *Yesterday*, *Eleanor Rigby*, and *Strawberry Fields Forever* became immortal pop songs

RECORDING

Ten of the album's 14 tracks were recorded in just one day – 11th February. These included a mixture of stage favourites and 'Lennon-McCartney originals'

POPULARITY

The album released on March 22, and shot straight into the Top 10 of the British charts. Six weeks later, it was number one and stayed there for 30 weeks

Check out the latest events in the city

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I WANT IT THAT WAY

In Bengaluru on Sunday, Backstreet Boys frontman Nick Carter shares his hopes of collaborating with an Indian artiste for his next solo album

PIC: ALLEN EGENUSE J

ANJALI RAM

FOR many who grew up in the '90s, the mere mention of **Nick Carter** will rekindle them to their younger self, memories of their first love, first heartbreak and the wildness of youth. Because the Backstreet Boys was not just a boy band, but a solace while navigating life. As their songs continue to hold a special place in many hearts, the frontman of the band, Carter, has embarked on his Who I Am tour, performing as a solo artiste with three shows in Bengaluru and several more in cities across India. He kicked off the Bengaluru leg of the tour on Sunday, offering a nostalgic treat to fans.

Starting the Who I Am tour in late 2023, Carter has completed over 100 shows worldwide and is now in India. "Who I Am is a story of my life in many ways. From what inspired me to be who I am – the artiste, then transitioning into Backstreet Boys music, where my life changed, and a little bit of solo music. The main part of the show is to tell a story with the music of my life," explains Carter, adding, "If you pay attention to the lyrics, a lot of them will fall in line with things that I'm going through in my life, have gone through in the past, and where I'm going to be going in the future," says Carter, speaking at an intimate gathering in ZLB23 Speakeasy, The Leela Palace.

A lover of Indian culture, the 45-year-old singer expresses his desire to spend more time here to cultivate his solo career and collaborate with an Indian artiste. "We've done Backstreet Boys songs in the past where we've sung in other languages. So I'm sending an invitation of sorts to anybody out there who would be interested in doing a collaboration with me on my next album that's coming out," he says.

The Backstreet Boys from back in the day

A father of three now, compared to the 12-year-old Carter who had just started his career, his personal life has significantly influenced his music. "I've been working on this for the past couple of years because I want it to be right – I want it to say something, I don't want it to just be music. My children inspire me, the place where I am in my life, inspires me to stay strong. I want to put that into the music so you're hearing and feeling all the things that I'm feeling – the love, the pain, and the things that I've gone through for the past three decades of being in this industry," he explains.

Continuing to perform as a solo artiste and with the Backstreet Boys over the years, he shares how the creative process differs between the two. "As an individual, I get to say what I want to say, write the songs that I want to write, and I can play instruments. But when I go with the band, we dance, we sing, so I play in a team. This is special because the dynamic reminds me of where I came from and who I am. Which is probably why I decided I was never going to separate from the group. I love being a part of a group and that inspires me," Carter says.

ALL THINGS JAPANESE

In celebration of the birthday of His Majesty, the Emperor of Japan, the Consul General of Japan in Bengaluru, Tsutomu Nakane hosted a vibrant cultural evening. Guests participated in a traditional tea ceremony, rice cake or 'mochi' making, viewed martial arts demonstrations, a saree stall, choir performances, and more while indulging in Japanese sake and sushi| PICS: NAGARAJA GADEKAL

CITY READ

Students design innovative space settlements, win international design contest

Students from Narayana Schools were among 40 winners of the National Space Settlement Contest hosted by the National Space Society. The contest, challenging school students from Class 6 to 12 to design sustainable, health-focused living spaces for future space settlements on the theme 'Live in a Healthy Space', received around 1,641 project submissions across 11 countries. The first prize was won by the project 'GAIA' prepared by MB Avani, an eighth grader from Narayana Olympiad School in Sahakar Nagar. The third prize was won by the project 'Red Planet Bloom', prepared by Tanay Gogoi, Abdul Bhari, Harshit Raj, Keerti V, Samritha K, and Gennisa Doris from Narayana E-Techno & Olympiad School, RT Nagar. Narayana students stood out with 58 awards, including four first prizes, 13 second prizes, nine third prizes, and 32 honourable mentions.

Institute redefines restraint, advocates disciplined practice for spiritual growth

According to R Eswaran, founder of Acharya Vedanta Institute Bangalore, in an age of information overload and constant external stimuli, self-control has become a rare virtue. Self control involves two crucial aspects — managing internal desires and limiting exposure to external temptations. Without disciplined practice, spiritual knowledge remains ineffective, and impressions known as vasanas continue to shape our actions unconsciously. In essence, self-control is not about withdrawal but about mindful engagement. Replacing indulgence with sattvic alternatives is essential for sustained transformation. By minimising unnecessary interactions, associating with the divine in areas of weakness, and consciously refining our speech, thoughts, and actions, we can create an environment that nurtures inner growth.

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Sri Paripoorna Sanathana Charitable Trust

Commitment to Holistic Healthcare for National Security Forces

Sri Paripoorna Sanathana Charitable Trust® has again demonstrated its unwavering dedication to holistic healthcare by successfully organising a comprehensive medical camp for the Border Security Force (BSF) unit in Bangalore. This commendable initiative carried out under the esteemed guidance of Prof. Dr A V Srinivasan, Chief Functionary of the Trust and Chairman of Sri Paripoorna Sanathana Ayurveda Medical College, Hospital & Research Centre, took place from February 1st to 7th, 2025. The medical camp witnessed the active participation of skilled doctors and interns from the institution, highlighting the Trust's commitment to integrating traditional healing sciences with modern healthcare practices.

Reaffirming Commitment to National Welfare

The week-long medical camp provided essential healthcare services to 400 BSF personnel and their family members, treating various health conditions using Marma Chikitsa (Varmology).

Marma Chikitsa is a revered healing practice rooted in the time-honoured traditions of Siddha and Ayurveda. This profound therapeutic method focuses on stimulating vital energy points in the body, promoting natural healing and restoring overall well-being. By incorporating this ancient wisdom into contemporary medical outreach programs, Sri Paripoorna Sanathana Ayurveda Medical College has reinforced the immense value of holistic healing, particularly for those who serve and safeguard the nation.

A Strong Partnership with the BSF

Recognising the importance of this initiative, Prof. Dr A V Srinivasan has expressed profound gratitude to the Hon'ble Inspector General of BSF, Bangalore, for entrusting the institution with this noble responsibility. This medical camp's success is evidence of the Trust's longstanding commitment to healthcare excellence and a profound duty toward the well-being of India's security forces.

The event was further marked by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between BSF and Sri Paripoorna Sanathana Charitable Trust®, a significant step toward institutionalising traditional healing practices within the framework of mainstream healthcare for national security personnel. The MoU, facilitated through the efforts of the Hon'ble Inspector General, along with the officers and staff of the BSF, signifies a landmark collaboration to promote holistic healthcare among India's frontline defenders.

The Role of Traditional Healing in National Healthcare

The success of this initiative underscores the growing recognition of Ayurveda, Siddha, and Marma Chikitsa in addressing various health challenges, especially for those engaged in physically demanding professions such as the BSF. Security personnel often endure immense physical strain, stress, and environmental adversities, leading to chronic ailments, musculoskeletal disorders, and mental fatigue. The application of Marma Chikitsa offers a natural, non-invasive, and effective solution to these challenges, providing long-term relief and promoting overall vitality.

By embracing these time-tested therapies, Sri Paripoorna Sanathana Ayurveda Medical College sets a precedent for integrating AYUSH (Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Siddha, and Homeopathy) practices into national healthcare initiatives. This collaboration between the Trust and the BSF is a step toward a future where India's rich healing traditions are seamlessly incorporated into the health management of armed forces personnel, reducing dependency on chemical-based treatments and fostering sustainable wellness.

The Vision of Sri Paripoorna Sanathana Charitable Trust

This initiative aligns with Sri Paripoorna Sanathana Charitable Trust® broader vision, which has been at the forefront of Ayurveda-based healthcare, education, and research for several years. Under the leadership of Prof. Dr A V Srinivasan, the Trust has actively promoted holistic healing and established its reputation as a pioneer in integrating ancient medical sciences with modern wellness solutions.

One of the key pillars of the Trust's philosophy is service to the community, particularly extending specialised healthcare to those who dedicate their lives to protecting the nation. The success of the BSF medical camp has further strengthened this mission, providing an avenue for continued collaboration with government bodies, defence organisations, and healthcare institutions.

Prof. Dr A V Srinivasan has emphasised the unity and integrity of his institution's family, acknowledging the tireless efforts of the doctors, interns, and medical professionals who contributed to this initiative's success. The BSF has recognised their commitment, and the Government of India has endorsed it, reinforcing the credibility of Ayurveda-based healthcare solutions.

Strengthening Future Collaborations

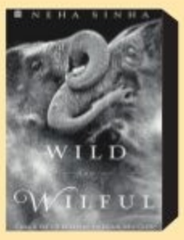
The success of the BSF medical camp is only the beginning of a long-term association between Sri Paripoorna Sanathana Ayurveda Medical College and the national security forces. The Trust is determined to continue its outreach programs and expand its holistic healthcare services to other defence and paramilitary units across India.

Sri Paripoorna Sanathana Ayurveda Medical College Hospital & Research Centre, 91 Arjunabettahalli, Gollahalli Panchayat, Kasaba Holli, nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural 562123, Contact: +91 6366339024

BOOK NOOK

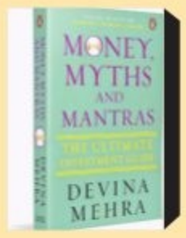
People Powered Startups
By Saurabh Nigam

From remote work, gig economies to AI in HR, the book bridges global best practices with the unique challenges of the Indian startup ecosystem.



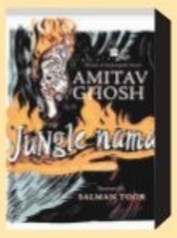
Wild And Wilful
By Neha Sinha

In this book, we meet 15 iconic Indian species in need of conservation and heart. The author explores what these creatures need, and how they exert agency and decision-making.



Money, Myths and Mantras: The Ultimate Investment Guide
By Devina Mehra

From the intricacies of asset allocation to the psychology of human behaviour in investing, here's decades of experience in actionable insights.



Jungle Nama
By Amitav Ghosh, Salman Toor

The first-ever book in verse by Amitav Ghosh, it evokes the wonder of the Sunderbans through its poetry, accompanied by stunning artwork by the renowned artist Salman Toor, making it a graphic novel in verse.

SOOTHING STRINGS

Vidwan R Kumaresh and Dr Jayanthi Kumaresh perform at Strings Attached, held at St John's Auditorium, Koramangala | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

QUICKFIX

CHOCOLATE MOUSSE

INGREDIENTS

- **Dark chocolate:** 200 g
- **Eggs:** 4
- **Sugar:** 50 g
- **Heavy cream:** 250 ml
- **Vanilla extract:** 1 tsp
- **Whipped cream:** as needed

METHOD

- Melt the dark chocolate in a heatproof bowl over a pot of simmering water and let it cool slightly. Then, whisk in the egg yolks until smooth.
- In a clean bowl, beat egg whites with sugar until stiff. In another bowl, do the same with the heavy cream and vanilla extract.
- Gently fold the egg whites and whipped cream into the chocolate mixture until combined.
- Pour into serving glasses and refrigerate for at least two hours. Decorate with whipped cream and serve.

Contributed by **Preethi,** Chhattisgarh

WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Melodious Night

'Khayal', meaning imagination, is the art of improvising and elevating content, with classical composition as its core. Witness Ashwin, Abhay and Gaurav take the audience on a time-lapsed journey to and through Hindustani music in its various forms, while pulling back the curtain and providing context through imagery from this timeless tradition.

WHEN: February 15, 7pm
WHERE: Bangalore International Centre, Domlur
DETAILS: bangaloreinternationalcentre.org

Health Awareness

Join Run Against Diabetes, an empowering event that brings together individuals, families and communities to make a stand against diabetes. This marathon aims to raise awareness about diabetes, promote healthier lifestyles and inspire participants to lead active lives. **WHEN:** February 16, 5am **WHERE:** Chamarajendra Park, Ambedkar Veedhi **DETAILS:** allevents.in

Swapping Wonder

Join a group of literary enthusiasts who swear by the power of the written and the spoken word. Swap books and opinions on the books that you have read or would like to read. The price of the ticket includes a coffee/tea at the venue. **WHEN:** February 15, 6.30pm **WHERE:** Yogisthaan Cafe, Indiranagar **DETAILS:** allevents.in

Fun Direction

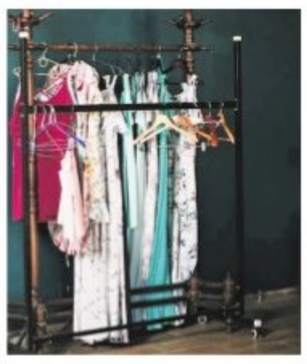
Get ready for an unforgettable night dedicated to One Direction's iconic music. Join to dance, sing, and celebrate their incredible journey with fellow Directioners and scream out their biggest hits.
WHEN: February 23, 5pm
WHERE: Gypsy Tower, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Rock 'n' Roll

Participate in the 99th edition of Rock the Stage, an exhilarating open-mic night. Hosted by My School of Rock, it is designed for music enthusiasts, poets, singers, and comedians. Embrace your passion and showcase your talent on a platform where creativity knows no bounds!
WHEN: February 16, 5.30pm
WHERE: My School of Rock, Adugodi
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Stylish Sustainability

Step into a world of sustainability and craftsmanship at Conscious Souk, a curated marketplace like few other. This edition brings together an array of homegrown brands and artisans, offering an immersive shopping and cultural experience.
WHEN: February 14-15, 11am
WHERE: Raintree, Sankey Road
DETAILS: allevents.in



Audience Poll

Join comedian **Nishant Tanwar** as he takes on the Kill or Die segment: a unique show where comedians get on stage with the intention to kill but it's up to the audience to decide if they are killing it or are better off being dead: you decide if the comedian gets to do his time or not.
WHEN: February 15, 10pm
WHERE: The Underground Comedy Club, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

NOWSTREAMING

THE MEHTA BOYS (Hindi)
A father and son embark on an involuntary 48-hour odyssey, navigating clashing perspectives as they confront the intricate nuances of their strained relationship.
Cast: Avinash Tiwary, Boman Irani, Shreya Chaudhry
- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

ANUJA (Hindi)
When a gifted 9-year-old girl, who works in a garment factory, gets a chance to attend school, she must make a heart-wrenching decision.
Cast: Nagesh Bhonsle, Ananya Shanbhag, Gulshan Walia
- **Watch on:** Netflix

FOREIGN

BOGOTA: CITY OF THE LOST (Korean)
After moving to Bogotá for a chance at a better life, a young Korean man rises through the Colombian black market — risking peril for a shot at success.
Cast: Song Joong-ki, Lee Hee-joon, Cristal Aparicio
- **Watch on:** Netflix

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FITBIT

BALASANA VARIATION TURNED
(CHILD POSE VARIATION TURNED)

In this beginner-level variation, the hip is raised with the head turned on the floor with one shoulder blade on an outward extension. It is a combination of a forward stretch with a twist. The other shoulder blade is vertically extended with the arms stretched. Balasana Variation Hips 2 is a preparatory pose to this.

STEPS

- First, align to Balasana Variation Hips 2 and stay here for 4-5 breaths.
- Inhale slightly, lift your head and torso and align the left arm under the chest with palms facing the ceiling.
- Make sure that you keep the right arm extended ahead and place the head turned towards the right on the mat.
- Breathe and stay in this position as per your capacity.
- Then, release the pose and align back to Balasana Variation Hips 2.
- On the next inhale, align the other side, with the head turned towards the left and the right arm under the chest. Now, ensure that your left arm is extended ahead.
- Stay with this pose as per your capacity.
- Finally, release the pose and align back to Balasana Variation Hips 2.

LIMITATIONS

- Students who have shoulder, wrist, hand, or neck injuries or undergone surgeries should avoid this pose.
- People lacking body-breath awareness may hold their breath in this chest constriction and the twist can create injuries or sprains.

BENEFITS

- The twist stretches, strengthens, and contracts the arms, shoulders, neck, chest, rib cage, abdomen, back, and pelvis, increasing range of motion.
- Active core muscles help in bringing stability to the spine.
- Enhanced shoulder flexibility with a strong core creates flexibility.
- The obliques are stretched.
- These muscles help to twist the trunk, keeping them active, reducing the accumulated tension and stress.
- Good practice before trying advanced side bending asanas.
- Chest and abdomen are constricted, and hence it's a restorative pose.
- Back of the upper torso expands with the stretch of the shoulder blades, giving room for the thoracic cavity.
- Helps improve the lung capacity.
- Good for correcting posture, spinal alignment, and spinal health.
- Abdominal pressure detoxifies the body with enhanced metabolism.
- With deep and better-focused breathing, the muscles are relaxed.
- Improves functioning of the abdominal organs.
- It can be used to treat diabetes, symptoms related to hormone imbalance, or improve one's bladder control.
- Alleviates neck and shoulder pain by releasing muscular stiffness.
- Those suffering from insomnia can practise this as part of night yoga.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

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LIFE OF MOUNTAIN

Artist Bharati Kar's artwork reimagines the river Ganges flowing from the Himalayas.

FLAVOURS OF FUSION

ASLAM GAFOOR

(The writer is a Bengaluru-based hospitality professional, food lover, and travel enthusiast)

CELEBRATED for his seamless blend of French culinary techniques with Indian flavours, renowned chef **Priyam Chatterjee** recently unveiled a nine-course whisky-paired menu in Bengaluru, redefining the landscape of contemporary gastronomy. This culinary experience, titled L'Enfant Sauvage, took place at Neo Kitchen, Hilton Bengaluru Embassy Manyata Business Park, in collaboration with The Hedonist, elevating the city's fine dining scene. **Excerpts:**

Your culinary journey spans legendary mentors and Michelin recognition. How have these experiences shaped your approach to cooking?
I grew up around farming and good food. As a professional, I trained in haute and nouvelle cuisine. Over time, global travels refined my approach into a contemporary style. For the last seven years, I've been integrating modern Indian flavours into my French culinary practice – eclectic yet relatable.

How did your family's culinary heritage influence your career choice?
I was raised in a household where food and hospitality were paramount. My mother excelled in traditional cooking, while my father's aristocratic Kolkata background brought in refined hosting. Interestingly, I initially aspired to join the army or become a diamond cutter, but fate led me to my passion for food.

What pivotal moment made you choose culinary arts?
During college, I was passionate about music and love. When both paths took unexpected turns, I channelled that energy into my craft. That journey led me to fall in love with cooking.

What does receiving the Chevalier de l'Ordre du Mérite Agricole mean to you?
It still feels like a dream. While I don't flaunt it, I take the honour seriously. It's a responsibility to uphold the excellence of French gastronomy while showcasing my culinary identity.

With accolades like Forbes India's 30 Under 30 and Chef of the Year 2017, how do you stay inspired?
I constantly eat, read, study, and travel. I draw inspiration from architecture, fashion, and art, translating them into edible creations. The urge to innovate never stops.

What inspired L'Enfant Sauvage and the whisky-paired menu?
The menu blends French finesse with Indian vibrancy, resulting in a bold and expressive dining journey.

Q&A

How does curating a menu for an Indian audience differ from your international experiences?
Indian diners appreciate global flavours but also cherish traditional tastes. The challenge is striking the right balance between novelty and familiarity. This collaboration brings global culinary experiences to Bengaluru's adventurous food lovers.

What challenges did you face while designing this menu?
The biggest challenge was maintaining innovation while ensuring sustainability and ingredient quality. Sustainability is key – I meticulously planned the menu to minimise waste and utilise every ingredient effectively.

Who is the love for?

LOVEOLOGY
Mahesh Natarajan

(The author is a counselor with InnerSight)

ABOUT 10 years ago, as part of the popular Burning Man festival in Nevada in the US, Ukrainian artist Alexander Milov exhibited a sculpture titled 'Love'. It features two adult figures sitting back-to-back, seemingly sad and upset. What made the sculpture particularly relevant was what was inside – a child in each trying to reach out to the other to connect. If you have been active on social media over the past decade, you would have seen the original image or several derivative ones.

From the perspective of a couple in conflict with each other, this image hits at a different level, as if it speaks to you personally and directly, representing your own world – how it can look big while seen from the outside but can be quite hollow inside. It makes us feel how the adult part of us can be sad and feel broken, unable to see eye to eye with our partner.

We might feel lonely, even if we are mirroring each other's emotions. Some might connect to how we want that child-like connection for companionship but are otherwise weighed down by the steely density of adultness.

Children often conflict differently from adults. They might fight over something as if they hate each other. Yet, minutes later, they would play together as if nothing had happened. As we grow, we find it harder and harder to do that – our conflicts get more serious and our need for companionship gets hijacked by the need to resolve the conflicts first.

Yet, if we can come back to the play and companionship, the conflicts become much more bearable, manageable and ultimately, solvable. Even in politics, when dealing with the thorniest border issues, healthier approaches are about having soft contacts, cultural exchanges, cross-border trade and other trust-building exercises, provided there are no outrageous escalations.

Most times, in our relationships, conflicts are not horribly serious that we cannot even look at each other. But we let it take over and define our relationships. We see the big conflict, but not the little people inside eager to be seen, to be connected and loved. We emphasise rightness, order and compliance, and forget that we are both hurting.

If we sit with each other, try to let the very grown-up part of ourselves open up a little, and allow the more childlike parts to connect, we might just find ourselves able to love each other better, and yes, resolve conflicts as well.

(The writer's views are personal)

Former Indian Air Force pilot SRK Nair talks about Aero India, civil aviation, and more

Soaring Spectacle

ANUBHAB ROY

SREEDHARA Panicker Radha Krishnan Nair, commonly known as SRK Nair, is a familiar name amidst those who have served in the Indian Air Force, and those with even a passing interest in the field. With a hefty number of flying hours across a variety of aircraft, Nair is also credited with his involvement in numerous operations, feats, and flying exercises during his service, after which his interest and involvement with Indian aviation have stayed steadfast.

As Bengaluru witnesses Aero India 2025, it is important to contextualise the event within the specifics of the city. As Nair states, "It is an event of immense importance to the country and aviation. It's a very complex exercise which involves the Ministry of Defence, the Indian Air Force, the Army, and the Navy. There are various challenges: bringing in aircraft from all over the country and abroad, their arrival, their parking, their practices, their performances, and so on. While this is in the sky, we have an even bigger challenge on ground with the number of visitors who come to Aero India. The Yelahanka base is divided into pockets for exhibition, aircraft parking, static display, performances, and other elements."

The scale and nature of Aero India being what they are, the amount of preparation needed to execute the event to perfection is unsurprising. "The process is very complex in nature, because of the kind of footfall we have and the number of vehicles that come in. Security remains a very major concern. In addition to standard security personnel, we have the CISF and Karnataka Police, who form rings of security around the station. This needs a lot of detailed work; that is why the preparation starts about one year back and slowly builds up towards the event," Nair notes.

Residents of Bengaluru are privy to the city's advancement in terms of aviation, and the infrastructural edge it has in the area over other Indian cities. To Nair, it is the prime location for an event of Aero India's calibre. In his words, "I can't think of any other part of India where the aviation environment is so favourable for conduct. Credit for this goes to HAL of course as a private firm which was taken over by the government; many ancillary aircraft services have come up since and spread across all over Bengaluru. In addition, we also have large Air Force establishments here."

There are numerous feats, as aforementioned, that glitter Nair's long career, amongst which is the famous North Pole expedition. Speaking of it, Nair, who flew an Ilyushin Il-76 for the expedition, is all praise for everyone involved and hails it as a team effort. He illustrates, "The only means of navigating to the North Pole is using the global positioning system. What we had then was a very basic GPS. I would credit my team for the thorough preparation; there are no land features, there's no air traffic control."

The timing of Aero India 2025 coincides with what may be deemed as a very dark period in civil aviation. As merchants and buyers from the world convene, people all around the world, including India, remain in the dark regarding a host of recent air accidents, with their trust in the safest form of transport wavered. Nair reiterates the statistical safety of air transport being superior over other forms, as one of the reasons why every accident makes headlines. As to the possible causes, to him, entropy is the most plausible. "With the density of air traffic increasing, the chances of things going wrong increase," he says.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, HIMANCHAL SINGH is father of Service No 8036591P Rank HAV (GD) Name Surendra Singh presently residing at Vill: Sujja Niwade, PO: Dilip Nagar, Teh Bilhor, Dist: Kanpur Nagar, State: UP, PIN: 209204 and Currently residing Jai Jawan Nagar Banaswadi M.S Ngar Post, Bangalore 560 033 have changed my name from **HIMANCHAL SINGH to HIMANCHAL**
DOB : 01 Jan. 1961 to 13 Sept. 1959
vide affidavit dated: 08/02/2025 sworn before Advocate & Notary Uday Kumar K, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, VIMLA DEVI mother of Service No 8036591P Rank: HAV (GD) Name: Surendra Singh presently residing at Vill: Sujja Niwade, PO: Dilip Nagar, Teh: Bilhor, Dist: Kanpur Nagar, State: UP, PIN: 209204 have changed my name from **VIMLA DEVI to VIMALA DEVI**
DOB : 01 Jan. 1968 to 10 Dec. 1965
vide affidavit dated: 08/02/2025 sworn before Advocate & Notary Uday Kumar K, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, RAVENDRA SINGH age about 68 years father of NB SUB UPENDRA SINGH CHAUHAN, Service No. 830064F, Rank: NB SUB, presently residing at: PCTC Jai Jawan Nagar Banswadi M.S Ngar Post Bangalore 560 033. have changed my name from **RAVINDRA SINGH CHAUHAN to RAVENDRA SINGH**
DOB : 01 July 1955 to 01 Jan. 1957
vide affidavit dated: 10/02/2025 sworn before Advocate & Notary Uday Kumar K, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, LAYA RAJ KIRAN aged about 23 years, resident at Bren Northern Lights, C-006, Sy No-8, Garg Street, Prakruthi Nagar, Agrahara Village Main Road, Kogilu, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560064, have changed my name from **LAYARAJ PISSAY** to **LAYA RAJ KIRAN,** vide affidavit dated 6/2/2025 sworn to before G.R.Ravichandra Reddy Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) G KALAI SELVI spouse of No.JC-312706A, SUB, R MOHANAM, residing at House No.1/274, Ponniamman Kovil Street, Karigiri (Vill & Post), Katpadi (Tk), Veilore (Dist), Tamil Nadu (State), PIN: 632106, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) M KALAISELVI** vide affidavit dated 05.02.2025 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) ARUNA KUMARI MODI** spouse of SIVARANGASWAMY MODI, residing at Yellupalli (Vill & Post), Giddalur (MD), Prakasam (Dist), Andhra Pradesh (State), PIN: 523357, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) MODI ARUNA** and DOB from 01.08.1990 to 01.12.1989, vide affidavit dated 07.02.2025 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

We, Aravind Paragouda Wadekar, aged about 41 yrs & Shailaja Arvind Wadekar aged about 38 yrs, R/@ Villa No.132, Prestige North West County, Doddaballapura Main Road, Rajanukunte, Bangalore – 560064. I hereby declare that our daughter's Birth certificate her name is mentioned as Harshita. But now I am changing our daughter's name as **HARSHITA** to **HARSHITA ARAVIND WADEKAR** for all her future records, transactions, private as well as upon all occasion & all other purpose vide affidavit dated 08.02.2025 sworn before Notary & Advocate D. Sarala Kumari, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Aravind Paragouda Wadekar S/o Paragouda Wadekar, Aged about 41 yrs, R/@ Villa No.132, Prestige North West County, Doddaballapura Main Road, Rajanukunte, Bangalore – 64. I state that my name as per academic certificates, Aadhar Card, PAN Card, Bank & other official documents is Arvind Paragouda Wadekar. That I have changed my name from **Arvind Paragouda Wadekar to Aravind Paragouda Wadekar** for all my future records, transactions, private as well as upon all occasion & all other purpose vide affidavit dated 08.02.2025 sworn before Notary & Advocate D. Sarala Kumari, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHIVAMMA** W/o R Krishnappa, age 77 years, R/at House No. 28, MIG 2nd Stage, KHB Colony, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore-560 079 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHIVKRISHNA** to **SHIVAMMA**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SHIVAMMA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 8-2-2025, sworn before
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I, (OLD NAME) UMADEVI CHANNARAYAPPA residing at No.34, Vasundery, 1st Main, 3rd Cross, Sadshivanagar, Nelamangala, Bangalore Rural - 562123, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) UMADEVI CHANNARAYAPPA** to **(NEW NAME) UMADEVI** vide affidavit dated 08.02.2025 sworn before Notary A.Manjula., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

We, Aravind Paragouda Wadekar, aged about 41 yrs & Shailaja Arvind Wadekar aged about 38 yrs, R/@ Villa No.132, Prestige North West County, Doddaballapura Main Road, Rajanukunte, Bangalore – 560064. I hereby declare that our daughter's Birth certificate her name is mentioned as Sathvika. But now we are changing our daughter's name as **SATHVIKA** to **SATHVIKA ARAVIND WADEKAR** for all her future records, transactions, private as well as upon all occasion & all other purpose vide affidavit dated 08.02.2025 sworn before Notary & Advocate D. Sarala Kumari, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **FAIROZ AHMED** (Old Name), S/o K.MOHAMMED ANWAR, Aged about 53 years, Resident at NO. 75/1, NOHA STREET, SHIVAJINAGAR, BENGALURU NORTH, H.K.P. POST, BENGALURU-560051, KARNATAKA, declare that I have changed my name from **FAIROZ AHMED** (Old Name) to **A.FAIROZ AHMED** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **A.FAIROZ AHMED** (New Name) for all my personal, official & legal purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 10/02/2025 before Notary **GANGARAJU.B.N.** at BENGALURU

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SEETHARAM RAJASEKHARAN, S/o. Seetharam, Residing at No. 243, 2nd A Main Kaveri Road, Girinagar, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bengaluru -560085, have changed my name to **RAJASEKHARAN SEETHARAM CHETTIAR** vide affidavit dated: 10.02.2025 before notary GANGARAJU .B.N., Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Pansy Rebecca Anne Alford daughter of Late Terrance Maxwell Rafferty residing in Pride Pegasus Hennur, Bangalore-560077 do hereby change my name from **Pansy Rebecca Anne Alford** to **Pansy Rebecca Anne Rafferty** vide affidavit dated 7/2/2025 before notary C.N. Chandrashekar, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ARUMUGAM RAJAMANICKAM,** S/o Rajamanickam (Late), age 58 yars, R/at No. 53, 1st main, 3rd J Cross, Malleshpalya, New Thippasandra, Bangalore-560 075 d hereby declare that I have changed my grandson's name from **JAVIN JAE SAI NITISH KUMAR** to **JAVIN NITISH,** henceforth he shall be known and called as **JAVIN NITISH** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 6th July 2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **M. NARENDRAN** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **USHA RAJSHEKAR,** W/o Late Rajshekar Devendra, age 50 years, R/at No. 21, 20th Cross, K H B Quarters, Block 5, 1st and 3rd Bock, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560 011 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **DHENGE USHA VENKOBA RAO RAJASHEKAR** to **USHA RAJSHEKAR,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **USHA RAJSHEKAR** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 10th February 2025, sworn before Advocate and Notary **D.K. RAMESHAPPA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Shailaja Wadekar W/o Aravind Paragouda Wadekar, Aged about 38 yrs, R/@ Villa No.132, Prestige North West County, Doddaballapura Main Road, Rajanukunte, Bangalore – 560064. I state that my name as per academic certificates, Aadhar Card, PAN Card, Bank & other official documents is Shailaja Wadekar. That I have changed my name from **Shailaja Wadekar to Shailaja Arvind Wadekar** for all my future records, transactions, private as well as upon all occasion & all other purpose vide affidavit dated 08.02.2025 sworn before Notary & Advocate D. Sarala Kumari, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NAGARAJ SIMPI,** date of Birth 03.02.1992, S/o. Mr. Shankar Simpi, Presently residing at No. 855, 2nd Main, C Block, AECS Layout, Kundalahalli, Bengaluru-560037, Karnataka, India, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **NAGARAJ** to **NAGARAJ SIMPI,** vide affidavit dated 07.02.2025, sworn to before K.V. Jagannath Reddy, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SIVANESH S**, S/o Late T S Sankaran, aged about 57 years, residing atSree Skanda, No.10, First Floor, 2nd Cross, Near BESCOM Office, Nanjappa Garden, Babusapalya, Bengaluru-560043 have changed my name to **T S SHIVANESH** vide affidavit dt. 07/02/2025 before Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I,**Vijayalakshmi** W/o Nagaraja S, R/a No. 31, D Block, Near Sambhram College,Vishwanagar, Bangalore North – 560097. Have Changed my Name From **VIJAYALAKSHMI** To **VIJAYALAXMI**. Vide affidavit Date: 04.02.2025. Sworn before Notary: H. K. Gopalagowda.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KALA RANI,** is legally wedded spouse of No. 14304907A EX NK (TS) KRISHNA REDDY, residing at No. 761, OPH Road, Kadugodi, Kadugodi Plantation, Bangalore-560 067 have changed my name from **KALA RANI** to **KALARANI,** vide affidavit dated 10.02.2025, before Notary **S. SAMUEL SOLOMON,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mr. B KANNAN** Son/ dependent of JC-624436F Subedar (Clerk/ Staff Duties) Babu G resident of House No 27, Street Bajanai kovil, Village Mettu Edaiyam Patti, Post Office Adukkamparai Kattupadi, Police Station Bagayam, Tehsil & District - Earlier North Arcot Ambedkar (NAA), (now - Vellore), State - Tamil Nadu, PIN 632011 will be known as **KANNAN BABU** instead of **B KANNAN** with immediate effect. vide affidavit dated: 10/02/2025 sworn before Advocate & Notary Uday Kumar K, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mrs G MUTHUMARI** wife/ NOK/ Dependent/ Nominee of JC-771193F Subedar (MTECHBVEH) G Ganapathy resident of House No 365A/4, Village Sundarajapuram, Amman Nagar, Solai Seri, Post Office Krishnapuram, Police Station Sethur (OP), Tehsil - Rajapalayam District - Virudhunagar, State - Tamil Nadu, PIN 626142 will be known as **MUTHUMARI G** instead of **G MUTHUMARI** with immediate effect. vide affidavit dated: 10/02/2025 sworn before Advocate & Notary Uday Kumar K, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Service No.16113323Y, HAV, LOKESH C, residing at House No.81, 8th Chettiyappa Line, A Narayan Pura, Dooravaninagar, Bengaluru, Karnataka State-560016., have changed my Daughter name (**OLD NAME) VAINAVI L** to **(NEW NAME) HARINI L** vide affidavit dated 07.02.2025 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ABHISHEK KUMAR SINHA,** age 42 years, Ro No. 193, BDA Layout, 1st Block, JP Nagar, 8th Phase, Sarathy Nagar, Bangalore-560 076 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ABHISHEK KUMAR** to **ABHISHEK KUMAR SINHA**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **ABHISHEK KUMAR SINHA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 8th February 2025 sworn before Advocate and Notary **MOHAMMED HUSSAIN .K** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Ruchi Savani, daughter of **Maheshbhai Hemraj Shah, and wife of Rishil Savani, aged 37, residing at F1, Madku D Mansion, 33, 30th Cross, Jayanagar 7th Block, Bangalore 560070** have changed my name from **Ruchi Maheshbhai Shah to Ruchi Savani** vide affidavit dated: 10/02/2025 sworn before Advocate & Notary Varija C J, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **FAIZUNNISSA, W/o Allah Bakesh, aged about 72 years, residing at No. 86, 2nd Cross, Anadanappa Block, R T Nagar Post, Bangalore 560032 do hereby state that the names FAIZUNISSA and FAIZUNNISA and FAIZUNNISSA belong to one and same person that is myself sworn to before notary K.V. Nanjaiah for all purposes, dated 10-2-2025**

CHANGE OF NAME

I, D. CHETAN KUMAR BAGRECHA, aged 46 years, S/o. **Daulatraj Jain**, residing at No. 17, 8th Cross, 4th Main, Agrahara Dasarahalli, Bengaluru-560079, have changed my name from **CHETANKUMAR D.** to **D. CHETAN KUMAR BAGRECHA** vide affidavit dated 10-02-2025 sworn before Notary **DEEPA M.** BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Smt. T.N. GURUMALLAMMA @ SUSHEELA,** W/o Late Gurulingappa, age 69 years, permanent R/o Np. 454, 17th Cross, 4th Main, Visveshwarangara, Mysore-570008 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **T.N. GURUMALLAMMA @ SUSHEELA** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SUSHEELA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 8th February 2025, sworn before Advocate and Notary **DEVARAJA .E** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mr. G SATHEESH KUMAR** Son/ dependent of JC-771193F Subedar (MTECHBVEH) G Ganapathy resident of House No 365A/4, Village Sundarajapuram, Amman Nagar, Solai Seri, Post Office Krishnapuram, Police Station Sethur (OP), Tehsil - Rajapalayam District - Virudhunagar, State - Tamil Nadu, PIN 626142 will be known as **SATHEESH KUMAR G** instead of **Mr. G SATHEESH KUMAR** with immediate effect. vide affidavit dated: 10/02/2025 sworn before Advocate & Notary Uday Kumar K, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) G PRASANTH** father of No.15308868A, Ex-SPR, S GOPINATH, residing at House No.9, Kalhally, Sivanchetty Garden, Indiranagar, Ulsoor, Bengaluru, Karnataka (State), PIN: 560042, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) PRASANTH G** vide affidavit dated 07.02.2025 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Ubed Khan**, S/o. S. Khadar Khan, Residing at No. 19, 4th Cross, Kanakanagar, Bangalore - 560 032, do hereby declare that **S. Khader Khan** is the name of my father which is correctly entered in my Aadhar Card. Whereas in passport my father's name is mentioned as **Khadar Khan**. I hereby submit that **S. Khadar Khan** is the correct name of my father entered in the Aadhar card of Mine. My correct date of Birth is 29.10.1966. Vide affidavit dated 3.2.2025 sworn to before V. Rajashekhara, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Roopa Devi S,** aged 52 years, D/o Subramanyam G S and W/o Dayashankar, residing at: #32/1, Jyothi Darshan, Avenue Road Cross, Sanjeevappa Lane, Cubbonpet, Bengaluru-560002, have changed my name from "**ROOPA DEVI S**" to "**ROOPA S**", vide affidavit dated 10.02.2025, sworn to before Mr. K.P. Ramesh, Advocate & Notary, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NITISH KUMAR A**, Son of ARUMUGAM RAJAMANICKAM, Aged about 34 years, Resident of No.53, 1st Main, 3rd J Cross, Malleshpalya, New Thippasandra, Bengaluru-560075, have changed my son name from **JAVIN JAE SAI NITISHKUMAR** to **JAVIN NITISH** before the notary **M NARENDRAN,** Notary Reg. No.26,Page 14, Book-1, Dated: 06/07/2024.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mrs B VENNILA** wife/ NOK/ Dependent/ Nominee of JC-624436F Subedar (Clerk/ Staff Duties) Babu G resident of House No 27, Street Bajanai kovil, Village Mettu Edaiyam Patti, Post Office - Adukkamparai Kattupadi, Police Station Bagayam, Tehsil & District - Earlier North Arcot Ambedkar (NAA), (now - Vellore). State Tamil Nadu, PIN 632011 will be known as **VENNILA BABU** instead of **B VENNILA** with immediate effect. vide affidavit dated: 10/02/2025 sworn before Advocate & Notary Uday Kumar K, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Miss B ABINAYA** Daughter/ dependent of JC-624436F Subedar (Clerk/ Staff Mettu Duties) Babu G resident of House No 27, Street Bajanai kovil, Village Edaiyam Patti, Post Office Adukkamparai Kattupadi, Police Station Bagayam, Tehsil & District - Earlier North Arcot Ambedkar (NAA), (now - Vellore), State - Tamil Nadu, PIN 632011 will be known as **ABINAYA BABU** instead of **B ABINAYA** with immediate effect. vide affidavit dated: 10/02/2025 sworn before Advocate & Notary Uday Kumar K, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RENISHA GLORIA CARDOZA,** W/o. Jerome Jeevan Dsouza, aged about 35 years, residing at No. 110, A Block, 1st Floor, Sai Samraksha, Sy.No.54/4, Yelenahalli, Bengaluru-560068, have changed my name to **RENISHA** to **RENISHA GLORIA DSOUZA,** vide affidavit dated 10th Feb 2025, before notary **A Gerard,** Bengaluru.

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'SIDLINGU REFLECTS MY JOURNEY'

...says director Vijaya Prasad, whose life journey inspired *Sidlingu*, believes the 2012 film's sequel is an extension of his own experiences, brought to life through Yogi's character

A SHARADHAA

Sequels have become a ubiquitous trend, often expected to deliver more of the same magic. However, for director Vijaya Prasad, the idea of a sequel isn't just about revisiting an old film but rather continuing a personal journey that connects with his own experiences. The much-talked-about film *Sidlingu 2*, which arrives 13 years after the original on February 14, is expected to deliver something deeper, more real. As Vijaya Prasad himself admits, "*Sidlingu* and I are the same. *Sidlingu* is me, and my journey. I am *Sidlingu*."

Sidlingu, when released in 2012, received a modest reception, with its bittersweet narrative and meaningful exploration of relationships. Vijaya Prasad reveals, "In life, I was haunted by so many things around me. I wanted I wanted to share it with somebody. So, I put those thoughts through writing, which became cinema. *Sidlingu*, for Vijaya Prasad, became a cathartic release—a way to express the many emotions and challenges that defined his life. Now, with *Sidlingu 2*, he reflects, 'I've lived more, seen life more closely, and evolved. I've encountered new people, and these experiences have led me to new stories to tell.'"

For Vijaya Prasad, *Sidlingu* is a reflection of his own soul. He says that the portrayal of Ramya's character's tragic end in *Sidlingu* was deeply personal. "Something like that happened in my life," he admits, touching on the universal themes of loss, grief, and growth that permeate both his films and his life. In fact, Neer Dose, another of his directorial works, is also closely tied to his life experiences, with its characters and incidents mirroring the reality of his own struggles. "I just placed true incidents within different characters and settings, but they are all based on real events," he says.

For the sequel, Vijaya Prasad chose to continue this exploration with actor Yogi, who will reprise his role as *Sidlingu*. But why Yogi? "Back then, when I was planning Sidlingu, I had no producers backing me," Vijaya Prasad reveals. "It was Anoop Seelin, my music director, who introduced me to Yogi's father, *Siddaraju* TP, and that support gave the project life. Yogi became the hero, and he carried Sidlingu perfectly. He brought the depth and sincerity to the character back then, and to the sequel as well, which is why he's the perfect fit—even after all these years."

As for the evolution of *Sidlingu* 13 years later, Vijaya Prasad points to the maturity in both the character and himself. "I've grown, and so has Yogi's portrayal of *Sidlingu*," he says with conviction. The sequel isn't just about revisiting the past; it's about reflecting on the passage of time and the personal growth that comes with it.

While many characters from the first film may not return, a few fan favorites will make an appearance. "In *Sidlingu 2*, only two characters from the first part continue—Turuvekere Andalamma, played by Suman Ranganath, and Half Knicker Armugam, portrayed by Anthony Kamal. They serve as the bridge between the two films, connecting the past and the present." The film produced by Srihari Reddy under Niharika under Niharika Movies banner stars Sonu Gowda, along with Seetha Kote, and Manjunath Hegde among others. "The essence of *Sidlingu* remains grounded in reality, and those who loved the first film will find that *Sidlingu 2* is equally relatable, if not more so," Vijaya Prasad assures.

The question on everyone's mind is why it took 13 years for the sequel to arrive. "Some stories are evergreen. They don't have a timeline," Vijaya Prasad explains. "The core of a good story lies in its emotional resonance, not in flashy technology. Love, human connection, and struggle are timeless themes that transcend the need for excessive modern gadgets or techniques," says Vijaya Prasad, adding, "Part 2 is an extension of the human experience. It's about how people support one another through life's ups and downs, how love remains constant even as technology changes. At its core, *Sidlingu* is a story about how humans should experience life together," Vijaya Prasad concludes.

'As a director, I focus on middle-class struggles'

...says Vijay Kumar as he talks about his third directorial, *City Lights*, starring Vinay Rajkumar and launching his daughter Monisha

A still from the film

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VIJAY KUMAR takes on his third directorial project with *City Lights*, but this time, he steps only behind the camera, entrusting the lead role to Vinay Rajkumar. The film also marks the debut of Vijay's daughter, Monisha. Written and directed by Vijay, *City Lights* is produced by him alongside Vikram Arya.

The project officially commenced on Monday with a grand muhurath ceremony, attended by notable celebrities, including KFCC President, M Narasimhalu, producer KP Sreekanth, Umapathy Srinivas Gowda, Yuva Rajkumar, Ninasam Sathish, Naveen Shankar, Praveen Tej, actor Yogi, and dialogue writer Maasthi, among others. A special moment unfolded as Raghavendra Rajkumar gave the first clap, while Dr Rajkumar's longtime driver, Hanumantu, switched on the camera—an emotional tribute to the legendary actor's enduring legacy.

At the muhurath of City Lights

What has already begun to spark conversation is the first-look poster of the film, where Vinay Rajkumar and Monisha are seen carrying a goddess in line with the Yellamma tradition. It hints at a story that explores a unique community, where devotees engage in rituals, running through the streets, and using sticks as part of their spiritual devotion. This intriguing visual is just one of the many facets that *City Lights* looks to unfold.

The film's tagline, 'Jawabdaari Deepagalu' suggests a powerful exploration of the challenges and responsibilities tied to urban life. The story will delve into the lives of two individuals who move to Bangalore, facing the daily struggles of city life.

In an exclusive chat with CE, Vijay Kumar shared his insights into *City Lights*, emphasising the human stories often hidden beneath the surface of urban life. "*City Lights* sheds light on the city and the lives of those who are living here, but rarely seen and heard," he explains. "In my previous films like *Salaga* and *Bheema*, I focused on subjects close to reality, showing the challenges faced by middle-class people. This time, I want to spotlight the unseen, those struggling with life's hardships in our ever-changing city."

Vijay's filmmaking has always aimed to reflect the gritty realities of Bangalore, bringing attention to issues like youth involvement in rowdyism in *Salaga* and the growing drug problems among kids in Bheema. With *City Lights*, he hopes to capture the unspoken side of urban existence. "Through *City Lights*, people will begin to understand the other side of our city, the daily grind that so many go through. My focus remains on middle-class struggles—something I can relate to deeply," he adds.

While Vijay Kumar takes a step back from the lead role, the film will feature Vinay Rajkumar and Monisha. Vinay, excited about working on a project with a powerhouse team, expressed his enthusiasm about collaborating with director Vijay Kumar, dialogue writer Maasthi, and music composer Charan Raj—all of whom have delivered hits in their respective fields. "The first look shoot was incredibly exciting," he shares. "The atmosphere on set was electrifying, and I can't wait to sit down with Vijay sir soon. He has so much in store for *City Lights*."

For Monisha, the experience working under her father's direction is both thrilling and meaningful. "The energy on set while doing the first look was incredible," she recalls. "When we shot the first poster, there was such positive energy. A community that follows the Yellamma tradition—carrying the goddess on their heads and roaming the streets—came to the set and dressed us up. Their presence made the whole experience more authentic."

The film reunites Vijay Kumar with composer Charan Raj for the third time after *Salaga* and *Bheema*. Harsha Kumar Gowda will be handling the cinematography for the film, which plans to go on floors on February 23.

A still from the film

Madenur Manu was made for cinema, not just TV: Yogaraj Bhat

The makers of *Kuladalli Keelyavudo* have released the first single scored by composer Mano Murthy with lyrics by Yogaraj Bhat

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YOGARAJ BHAT, known for creating songs that capture the pulse of today's generation, has once again struck a chord with his latest composition, 'Nam Paiki Obba', for the film *Kuladalli Keelyavudo*. Composed by Mano Murthy and sung by Anthony Daasan, the song was launched in a special event where lead actor Madenur Manu, along with a live band and orchestra, performed the track on stage, adding a unique touch to the release.

At the event, Yogaraj Bhat shared, "I always believed Manu was made for cinema, not just TV. The story of this film, co-written by me and Islauddin, perfectly fits him. The inspiration for today's song came from my car driver, who may no longer be with us, but his story and the events that followed led me to write these lyrics."

Music director Mano Murthy, who ventured outside his usual genre for this film, said, "This is only my second time composing for a project like this. Yogaraj Bhat's lyrics bring the song to life beautifully."

Director Ram Narayan expressed his appreciation for producer Santosh: "Though he is a director himself, Santosh entrusted me with this film. His belief in me speaks volumes, and the entire team's effort is reflected in the music and the film." Lead actor Madenur Manu, who plays an orchestra artist in the film, shared his excitement: "I've always dreamed of acting under a big banner, and I'm grateful to Yogaraj Bhat and the producers for giving me this opportunity. The song captures the essence of life and death in a meaningful way."

With a strong supporting cast, including Mauna Guddemane, Sharath Lohitashwa, and Tabla Nani, *Kuladalli Keelyavudo* is set to be an emotional and impactful film looking for its release soon.

Nimitta Matra to thrill audiences this Valentine's Day

Roshan D'Souza

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NIMITTA MAATRA, a thriller exploring the aftermath of a parapsychological experiment, sheds light on a chilling incident that took place in Mangalore 15 years ago. Written, directed, and produced by Roshan D'Souza, the film is set to redefine the genre. The recently released trailer has already garnered widespread praise ahead of its release in theaters on February 14, Valentine's Day.

Set against the backdrop of Bangalore and Mangalore, *Nimitta Maatra* delves into the forgotten aftermath of mysterious and cruel experiments, ultimately uncovering a horrifying, unsolved incident that occurred in Mangalore years ago.

Speaking about the film, director Roshan D'Souza says, "The trailer has served as an invitation for audiences to experience our film, and I've taken great care in perfecting it. After months of hard work, I am happy to see the positive response. *Nimitta Maatra* is a full-fledged commercial thriller, and for those unfamiliar with parapsychology, this film offers a completely unique experience."

Actor Poornachandra Mysuru, who plays the lead, adds, "Cinema is a director's medium, and we, as actors, are merely characters on his canvas. *Nimitta Maatra* is a commercial thriller filled with twists and turns that will keep the audience on the edge of their seats from start to finish. I hope it remains unforgettable until the very last credit."

The film also features a strong female lead, portrayed by Sangeetha Rajeev, who plays a pivotal role. "All the women in *Nimitta Maatra* have important roles to play," she shares. "When I first heard the story over a phone call, I was completely immersed in its world. After showing it to a select audience, they told us the story would haunt them for days."

Director Roshan D'Souza also praises Aravind Kuplikar, who plays a police officer in the film, saying, "Aravind has brought something special to the role. His understanding of the character is impeccable, and his presence will undoubtedly speak for itself. I can't wait for the audience to see him in this avatar."